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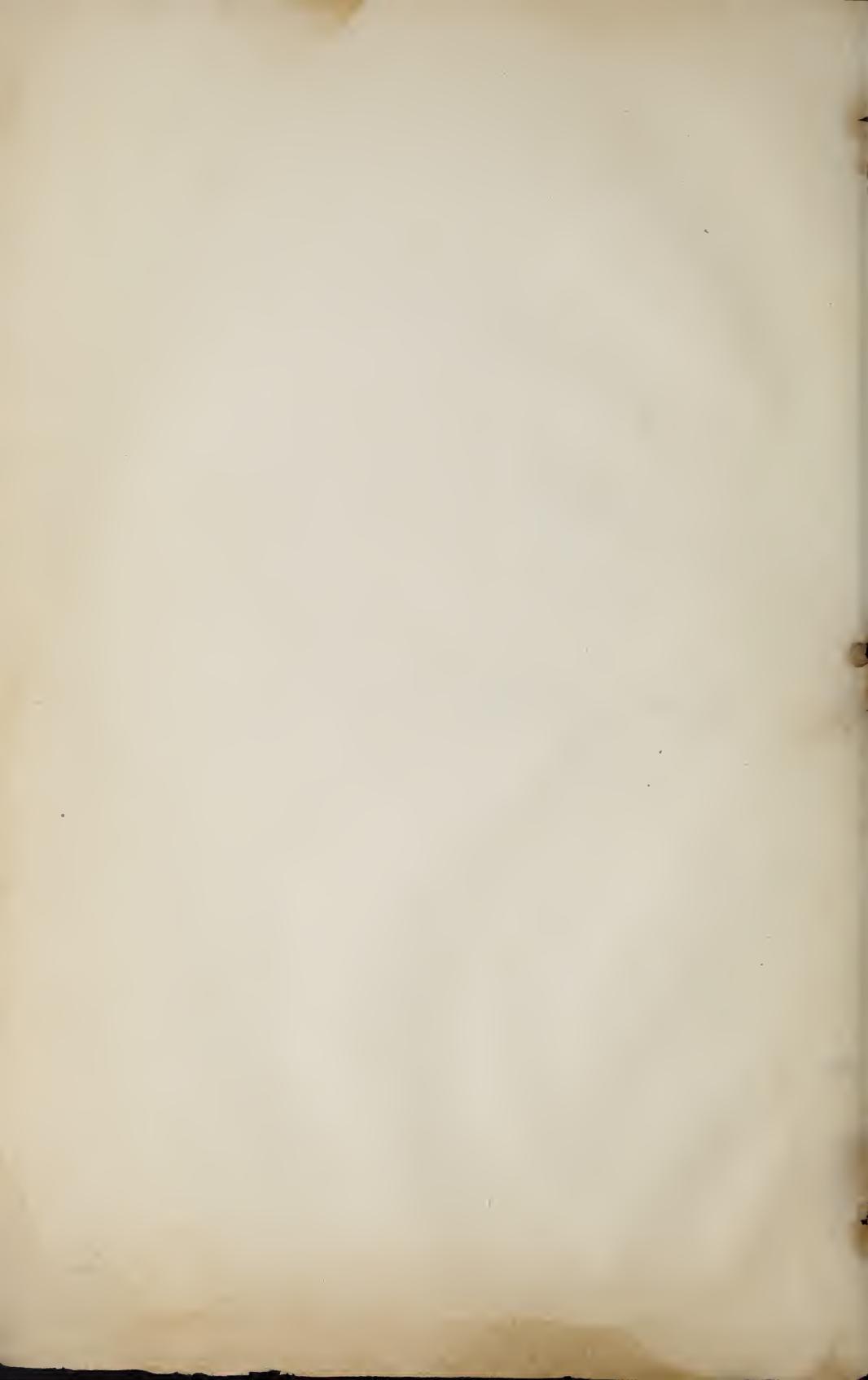
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Town Officers, 1927

TOWN CLERK

George H. B. Green

TOWN TREASURER

Courtland G. Bartlett

TAX COLLECTOR

Dwight F. Shumway

SELECTMEN, BOARD OF PUBLIC WELFARE AND

BOARD OF HEALTH

Jacob V. Cook Edward A. Fuller Edward E. Gay

ASSESSORS

Henry H. Witt, Chm.	Term expires Feb. 1930
Albert S. Brown	Term expires Feb 1928
Frederick M. Fuller	Term expires Feb.1929

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

George E. Scott, Chm.	Term expires Feb. 1928
Etta B. Randolph	Term expires Feb. 1929
Everett A. Geer	Term expires Feb. 1930

SCHOOL SUPERINTENDENT

Herman C. Knight

CEMETERY COMMISSIONERS

Charles G. Trainor	Term expires Feb. 1928
Guy C. Allen	Term expires Feb. 1929
Edward A. Randall	Term expires Feb. 1930

TREE WARDEN

George M. Kelley

REGISTRARS OF VOTERS

Joseph J. Kempkes	Term expires Mar. 1928
Roy G. Shaw	Term expires Mar. 1929
Herbert F. Shaw	Term expires Mar. 1930
George H. B. Green, Clerk	Ex-officio

FINANCE COMMITTEE

Arthur F. Bardwell, Harold B. Ketchen	Term expires Mar. 1928
Carl F. Aspengren, Michael P. Bowler	Term expires Mar. 1929
Linus G. Warren	Term expires Mar. 1930

TOWN ACCOUNTANT

William E. Shaw	Term expires Oct. 1929
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CONSTABLES

Guy C. Allen, Sr., James A. Peeso, Bertram E. Shaw, Dwight F. Shumway, Leon E. Williams	
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SPECIAL POLICE

John J. Cronin, Michael Collins, Thomas P. Feeney, William Engleman, Clarence H. Bisnette, George A. Severance	
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TRUSTEES FOR HAMP. CO. AID TO AGRICULTURE

Clayton R. Green

SUPERINTENDENT OF STREETS

Edwin F. Shumway

MOTH SUPERINTENDENT

Guy C. Allen, Sr.

INSPECTOR OF ANIMALS

Herbert D. Peeso

INSPECTORS OF SLAUGHTERING

Fred E. Burnett, Michael Cavanaugh, Maurice Moriarty

CHIEF OF FIRE DEPT. AND FOREST FIRE WARDEN

J. Howell Cook

DEPUTY FIRE WARDENS

Clayton R. Green, Francis L. Lemon, Herbert I. Story

SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES

Charles F. Austin

MEASURERS OF WOOD

E. A. Rudd Fairchild, Edward A. Fuller, Nelson Graney
Theron V. Pratt, Edwin F. Shumway

SURVEYORS OF LUMBER

Theron V. Pratt Edwin F. Shumway

FIELD DRIVERS

Clayton R. Green Frederick E. Lincoln

PUBLIC WEIGHERS

Patrick J. Brown, Jr., Patrick J. Brown, Sr., John J. Cronin,
Edward Quinn, Zebe G. Thibodeau, Linus G. Warren

FENCE VIEWERS—None

All above have qualified

Minutes of Annual Town Election

FEB. 7, 1927

(For warrant for same, see last pages of the 1926 report)

Precinct A meeting in charge of Warden Alvan R. Lewis.

Precinct B meeting in charge of Warden Daniel F. O'Connor.

At 6 p. m., total tally sheets were delivered to the town clerk, and registrars proceeded to canvass the same and the result was declared as follows:

	Precinct A	B	Totals
Town Clerk			
George H. B. Green	398	73	471
Treasurer			
Courtland G. Bartlett	408	66	474
Tax Collector			
Dwight F. Shumway	396	83	479
Selectmen			
Jacob V. Cook	273	13	286
Edward E. Gay	269	15	284
Edward A. Fuller	223	43	266
Peter Hanifin	190	75	265
Joseph C. Bothwell	185	69	253
Francis M. Austin	119	86	205
Constables			
Guy C. Allen, Sr.	307	105	412
Clarence H. Bisnette	198	67	265
John A. Gould	197	67	264

Thomas E. Hanifin	158	97	255
James A. Peeso	252	22	274
Bertram E. Shaw	388	71	459
Dwight F. Shumiway	255	43	298
Leon E. Williams	322	44	366
Assessor, 3 years			
Henry H. Witt	379	58	437
School Committee, 3 years			
Everett A. Geer	385	79	464
School Committee, 2 years			
Ellen J. Garvey	120	94	214
Etta B. Randolph	312	22	334
Tree Warden			
George M. Kelley	393	72	465
Cemetery Commissioner, 3 years			
Fred F. Dewey	193	70	263
Edward A. Randall	234	34	268

Annual Business Meeting

FEB. 14, 1927

Art. 1. Chose Alvan R. Lewis, moderator.

Prayer offered by Rev. Cato Dick.

Art. 2. Chose Mrs. Mary E. Spencer and Mrs. Carrie Ketchen almoners of the Whiting Street fund and the Susan M. D. Bridgman fund, each for one year, and Edgar C. Witt trustee of the Calvin Bridgman fund for three years.

Art. 3. Waived the reading of the reports of the several town officers and voted to accept them as printed in the Annual Report.

Art. 4. Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,000.00 to be used in conjunction with such sums as may be allotted by the state and county for permanent construction work on the Turkey Hill road, so called. On this question 103 voted in the affirmative and 14 in the negative.

Art. 5 Voted to raise and appropriate the following sums to defray the expenses of the current financial year.

	Total	Salary	Expenses
Legislative	\$100		
Selectmen	475	\$325	\$150
Accountant	325	300	25
Treasurer	410	350	60
Clerk	250	120	130
Tax Collector	475	350	125
Certification of Notes	10		
Assessors	650	600	50

Law	50
Election and Registration	300
Town Hall	350
Memorial Hall	200
Police	250
Fire Department	400
Hydrant Service	2,000
Forest Fires	500
Tree Warden	100
Moth Suppression	400
Sealer of Weights & Measures	70
Health	500
Highways, Chapt. 81	4,600
Street and Snow Removal	1,000
Street Lights	1,775
Bridges	500
Sidewalks	200
Dust Prevention	75
Poor	6,000
State Aid	600
Schools	42,000
Unclassified	475
Memorial Day	150
Farm Bureau	150
Public Dump	15
Dog License Tags	10
Town Clock	48
Insurance	650
Clapp Memorial Library	500
Cemeteries	375
Interest	3,000
Town Debt	6,000
Reserve Fund	1,000
	76,938
Appropriation Art. 4	2,000

Appropriation Art. 15	22.50
Appropriation Art. 16	22.50
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Total	\$78,983.00
Less	4,200.00 Surplus rev. acct. 1926
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	\$74,783.00

Art. 6. Elected Clayton R. Green Trustee for County Aid to Agriculture.

Art. 7. Voted to give Clapp Memorial Library the refunded dog license money.

Art. 8. Relative to an appropriation of \$500. for the use of the Clapp Memorial Library—This appropriation included in Art. 5.

Art. 9. Voted to authorize the Treasurer with the approval of the Selectmen to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of revenue of the municipal year beginning Jan. 1, 1927, to an amount not exceeding in the aggregate \$35,000, and to issue a note or notes therefor, payable in one year, and any debt or debts incurred under this note to be paid from the revenue of said municipal year.

Art. 11. Regarding the construction of a sewer in Franklin street—Voted to indefinitely postpone action.

Art. 12. Relative to a sewer on Depot street—Voted to indefinitely postpone action.

Art. 13. Relative to an appropriation for the Three Rivers Road—Voted to indefinitely postpone action.

Art. 14. Relative to leasing to the Belchertown Motor Sales, Inc., a right of way over certain land of the town—Voted that the town of Belchertown lease to the Belchertown Motor Sales, Inc., a right of way beginning at Jabish street at the end of the pipe line fence erected on the westerly side of the present driveway, and following the line of said fence to a point opposite to

and twelve (12) feet from a pipe fence, which fence is about two (2) feet from the Belchertown Motor Sales, Inc., garage at the rear corner of said garage; thence in a straight line to an iron pin driven into the ground, said pin being the corner of lands owned and occupied by Henry R. Gould, the Belchertown Motor Sales, Inc., and the Town of Belchertown. Said lease to run from year to year for a period of five years with the privilege of renewing the said lease for a further period or periods of five years at an annual rental of not less than ten dollars, and that the School Committee shall be and hereby is authorized to execute a lease to the Belchertown Motor Sales, Inc., in the name of the Town of Belchertown of the right of way above mentioned; said Committee to determine such restrictions as they may deem to be necessary and shall execute said lease in the name and in behalf of the Town of Belchertown.

Art. 15. Regarding the installation of a street light on the Springfield road—Voted to do so and appropriated \$22.50 therefor.

Art. 16. Relative to installing another street light on Federal St.—Voted so to do and appropriated \$22.50 therefor.

Art. 17. Relative to purchasing a power lawn mower—Voted to indefinitely postpone action.

Art. 18. Relative to extending the sidewalk on West Walnut street—Voted to indefinitely postpone action.

Art. 19. Relative to granting to Mrs. D. Louise Bridgman permission to set apart a portion of her land north of Mt. Hope cemetery for burial purposes, no lot (one rod square) to be sold for more than \$35.00—Voted that such permission be granted Mrs. Bridgman.

Art. 20. Relative to authorizing the Selectmen to sell and convey the town's Turkey Hill wood lot—Voted them authority to sell at public auction.

Art. 21. Relative to rescinding the vote passed under article 10 in the warrant for the annual meeting Feb. 7, 1921—Voted to indefinitely postpone action.

Art. 22. Relative to sale of the Poor farm—Voted to lay article on the table.

Art. 23. Also relative to sale of Poor Farm property—Voted the article be laid upon the table.

Meeting adjourned.

WARRANT FOR SPECIAL TOWN MEETING
APRIL 6, 1927

Art. 1. To choose a moderator to preside at said meeting.

Art. 2. To hear the report of the committee appointed Feb. 7, 1921 relative to selling the town farm, and take any action relative thereto.

Art. 3. To see if the town will vote to sell for the sum of \$8,000.00 to the Commonwealth of Massachusetts a certain tract of land with the buildings thereon, situated in said Belchertown, known as the poor farm so called containing 99.1 acres as surveyed and take any action relative thereto.

Art. 4. To see if the town will vote to sell the live stock, the farm implements and equipments, the furniture and all other personal property on said farm.

Art. 5. To see what action the town will take relative to investing the proceeds realized from the sale of both real estate and personal property.

ACTION TAKEN UNDER THE ABOVE WARRANT

Art. 1. Chose Thomas Allen, moderator.

Art. 2. M. A. Morse, chairman, made an oral report for the committee which the meeting refused to accept. Voted to discharge the committee with thanks.

Art. 3. Motion by E. A. Fuller to sell the property mentioned in Art. 3, the vote taken by ballot. On this motion 57 voted yes and 80 no.

Arts. 4 & 5. Regarding sale of personal property and investment of proceeds, voted to indefinitely postpone action.

ABRIDGED WARRANT FOR SPECIAL MEETING
NOV. 25, 1927

Art. 1. To choose a moderator to preside at said meeting.

Art. 2. To see if the town will act to amend the vote taken at its last annual meeting relative to the leasing of a certain "right of way," over land of the town, to the Belchertown Motor Sales, Inc., so as not to restrict large motor trucks from entering and leaving the garage of the afore mentioned company by relocating in one of three ways named below.

ACTION TAKEN UNDER ABOVE WARRANT

Art. 1. Chose Thomas Allen moderator.

Art. 2. Herbert D. Peeso moved that the above mentioned vote be amended in accordance with the language of Art. 2. After a lengthy debate on the motion, Eli W. Beach raised a point of order that the motion was out of order and the warrant for the meeting defective in that it contemplated the *amending* of a vote passed at a meeting nearly a year ago. The moderator ruled that the point was well taken and the motion out of order. Mr. Frank L. Gold appealed from the decision of the chair and a rising vote was taken, after James L. Collard and William E. Shaw had been appointed tellers. On the question of sustaining the ruling of the chair 186 persons voted in the affirmative and 93 in the negative.

The meeting adjourned.

GEO. H. B. GREEN, *Clerk*

List of Jurors

APPOINTED BY THE SELECTMEN SEPT. 16, 1927

Aldrich, C. Roy	Ketchen, Arthur E.
Baggs, Robert N.	Lewis, Alvan R.
Barrett, Herbert H.	McKillop, Henry
Bishop, Archie F.	Mitchell, Frederick W.
Bowler, Michael P.	Pratt, Theron V.
Booth Harold C.	Putnam, Harry F.
Cavanaugh, Michael E.	Randall, Edward A.
Dunbar, Walter D.	Shaw, Herbert F.
Garvey, Timothy	Sullivan, Cornelius
Hussey, George A.	Sullivan, William J.
Isaac, James E.	Warner, Arthur E.
Judd, Samuel S.	Witt, Henry H.

JURORS DRAWN

Jan.	28	Dunbar, Walter D., for Grand Juror
	28	Harold C. Booth, for Traverse Juror
May	13	Baggs, Robert N., for Traverse Juror
Oct.		Bishop, Archie F., for Traverse Juror

Report of Town Clerk

Marriage intentions filed	22
Marriages recorded	33
Births recorded: males 19, females 19	38
Deaths recorded: males 28, females 26	54
Sporting and trapping licenses recorded	192
Gross receipts for same	\$442.00
Dog licenses issued: males 286, females 57	343
Gross receipts for same	\$867.00

MARRIAGES RECORDED IN 1927

January

12 Floyd N. Shumway, Amherst
 Gladys M. Leigh, Amherst
 in Belchertown by Rev. Dow L. Hilliard

March

23 Myron G. Ward, Belchertown
 Julia B. Smith, Lowell
 in Lowell by Rev. Percy E. Thomas
28 Nelson Elon Lamson, Belchertown
 Effie Olive White, Belchertown
 in Belchertown by Geo. H. B. Green J. P.

April

25 Almanzar H. Le'Beau, Palmer
 Victoria Mega, Palmer
 in Belchertown by Rev. O. Loretan, M. S.

26 George H. Lamoreaux, Belchertown
Jennie Fremier, Northampton
in Northampton by James M. Broerick

May

2 Matthew Gula, Belchertown
Helen Rys, Belchertown
in Belchertown by Rev. O. Loretan, M. S.

9 Joseph Parda, Palmer
Mary Lizak, Palmer
in Belchertown by Rev. O. Loretan, M. S.

23 Joseph J. Topor, Palmer
Anna C. Gula, Palmer
in Belchertown by Rev. O. Loretan, M. S.

June

13 Leo J. Szewezyk, Wilbraham
Sophie Nowak, Palmer
in Belchertown by Rev. O. Loretan, M. S.

16 Edward Rusek, Palmer
Valera Thapinos, Palmer
in Belchertown by Rev. O. Loretan, M. S.

17 Benjamin F. Noga, Palmer
Mildred Zabka, Palmer
in Belchertown by Rev. O. Loretan, M. S.

28 Miles D. Buckley, Westfield
Catherine M. Connor, Belchertown
in Palmer by Rev. J. W. McGrath

July

17 Harold Dayton Suhm, Westfield, Ill.
Alice Elizabeth Booth, Belchertown
in Belchertown by Rev. Newell S. Booth

20 Henry F. Terrill, Belchertown
Ruth Marion Thompson, Heath
in Heath by Rev. Herbert Dixon

27 Lewis E. Lamson, Belchertown
 Bessie E. Butt, Belchertown
 in Palmer by Rev. F. A. Mooney

30 Walter E. Dodge, Belchertown
 Anne A. Hackney, Chicopee
 in Granby by Rev. Charles H. Smith

August

16 Joshua H. Crowther, Enfield
 Bertha M. Cook, Belchertown
 in Granby by Rev. Chas. H. Smith

19 George A. Severance, Belchertown
 Ida Lange, Belchertown
 in Manchester, N. H. by Rev. Henry Becker

September

5 Stanley Miga, Palmer
 Mary Soltys, Easthampton
 in Belchertown by Rev. O. Loretan, M. S.

12 Clayton H. Bolter, Belchertown
 Emma M. Peeso, Enfield
 in Enfield by Rev. George L. Mason

14 Arthur Z. Bolter, Belchertown
 Alice J. Dickinson, Amherst
 in Amherst by Rev. John A. Hawley

19 Samuel J. Swain, Palmer
 Mary A. Midura, Palmer
 in Belchertown by Rev. O. Lorehan, M. S.

24 Pierre Brulotte, Belchertown
 Julia E. Baldwin, Belchertown
 in Belchertown by Rev. Dow L. Hilliard

26 Walter Labodyz, Ludlow
 Anna Murray, Belchertown
 in Belchertown by Rev. O. Lorehan, M. S.

October

3 Joseph Bogaez, Palmer
 Sophie Topor, Palmer
 in Belchertown by Rev. O. Lorehan, M. S.
 3 Stonistown Kawatce, Belchertown
 Weranika Sterliga, Belchertown
 in Belchertown by Rev. O. Lorehan, M. S.
 8 Austin R. McKee, Et. Hartford, Conn.
 Agnes E. Carberry, Et. Hartford, Conn.
 in Belchertown by Rev. O. Lorehan, M. S.
 6 George F. McKinnon, Belchertown
 Rhoda C. Murphy, Belchertown
 in Belchertown by Rev. J. A. Dunphy
 10 Howard D. Stickle, Copake, N. Y.
 Jennie C. Whittaker, Belchertown
 in Copake by Rev. L. E. Travis
 24 Aloysius Koslick, Belchertown
 Pauline Bigda, Palmer
 in Belchertown by Rev. O. Lorehan, M. S.
 24 John Weneus, Belchertown
 Agnes G. Brown, Belchertown
 in Belchertown by Rev. J. A. Dunphy

November

21 Charles R. Holcomb, Belchertown
 Stella C. Kubacki, Palmer
 in Belchertown by Rev. O. Lorehan, M. S.
 22 Joseph M. Pietras, Palmer
 Anna S. Czepiel, Palmer
 in Belchertown by Rev. O. Lorehan, M. S.

BIRTHS RECORDED IN 1927

Child's Name

Parents' Names

1926

October

26 Margaret A. McKillop Michael J.—Anna M. Falvey

November

30 Donald Leo Fay
30 Marie Therese Keyes

December

18 Edwin P. Kimball
28 Roy G. Lanau
1927

January

3 Elsie A. Madden
16 Elwyn H. Bock
16 Bernard G. Williams
22 Joseph Ferriter

February

11 Bertha L. Eaton
16 Janice Story
26 Cecelia L. McLean

March

7 Merton L. Pratt
8 Illegitimate
29 Hazel T. Crowley

April

9 Rita Rose Sullivan
13 Joseph Lignor
18 Stillborn

May

15 Frank L. Gold, Jr.
26 James R. Pierce
30 James C. Goodrich

June

1 Edward H. Lysik
7 Margaret Sullivan
8 Alice T. Lanou
17 Joseph G. Fife, Jr.

July

6 Henry Jusko

John D.—Addie M. King
William D.—Angelia St. Pierre

William F.—Pearl A. Dunbar
George—Bertha Kulig

James O.—Marie O. Pratt
Max P.—Margaret Roschir
Leon E.—Myrtle L. Olds
Thomas J.—Anna Pranaitis

Richard D.—Roseanna Labonte
Herbert I.—Alice C. Nutting
James—Rose Henrichon

Theron V.—Celia Blackmer

John F.—Mary Fountain

John—Dorina Deslauries
Michael—Anna Kulig

Frank L.—Anna R. Tucker
Rufus H.—Lillian Brown
Harold A.—Bertha G. Pratt

Walter—Stella Rodlo
Cornelius—Lucy Hanifin
Leo E.—Mary K. Kulig
Joseph G.—Viola Sylvester

Michael—Minnie Wazska

25	Jean A. Bradley	Edwin D.—Ruth Hull
August		
17	Charles Edward Ayers	Lafayette W.—Gladys Gay
17	Florence E. Fay	Horace E.—Cassie M. Bush
12	Henry B. Mercier	John B.—Lucie Blanchette
18	Kenneth H. Mullen	Samuel—Doris Binns
19	Teresa M. Allen	Shirley J.—Mary A. Sullivan
26	Glenn R. Brown	Thomas—Minnie Dunlap
September		
19	Elva J. Brooks	George H.—Maude F. Bush
22	Joseph Wegil	Edward—Mary Bubon
24	Millie Welza	Tommy—Victoria Donbrasco
October		
13	Joseph T. Labida	Yan—Sophie Zajac
31	Illegitimate	
31	Illegitimate	
November		
1	Theresa Stolar	Alexander—Annie Homiac
13	Wilfred Leo Noel, Jr.	
19	Eleanor Chartier	Wilfred Leo—Catherine Bissonette
December		
21	Carol Hedvig Dick	Cato—Edna Kriehner

DEATHS RECORDED IN 1927

		YRS.	莫斯.	dys.
January				
1	Cecelia Teresa Gossman, State School	4	8	14
2	Roselle H. Pittsinger, Tewksbury	74	7	17
3	Theodore Kezan, Holyoke	13	0	0
22	Louise M. Putnam, Belchertown	8	10	14
24	George L. Lanou, Belchertown	0	0	27
26	Michael F. Fitzgerald, Belchertown	54	1	0
February				
2	Melvina E. Lemon, Belchertown	76	3	8

2	Joseph Bisseneault, Holyoke	59	10	16
13	Eliza J. Ballou, Belchertown	89	8	28
18	Mary J. Smith, Belchertown	67	9	21
19	Harriet E. Atkins, Belchertown	82	4	3
27	Lena Hager, Belchertown	35	2	13
March				
9	Martha M. Wilson, Belchertown	94	8	13
29	Marian A. Rand, Belchertown	67		
April				
18	Stillborn, Ware	0	0	0
20	Mary Lagawiec, Belchertown	65	0	0
20	Joseph Lapolice, Belchertown	87	0	0
23	Adam Adamczyk, Northampton	58	3	0
28	Viola B. Hubbard, Huntington	51	10	10
30	Hazel Barney, Holyoke	23	0	0
May				
4	Otto Reimann, Belchertown	59	7	9
27	Edward Deslaurier, Palmer	14	9	29
June				
2	Alvin H. Cutting, Ware	76	11	0
4	Delia Collette, State School	24	4	24
14	Lillian Hager, Northampton	15	11	10
July				
1	Thomas Wilga, Belchertown	49	0	0
4	Michael J. Wishiesk, State School	9	11	29
13	Henry D. Geer, Belchertown	64	5	7
14	Alvin Provanche, State School	18	6	13
21	Elizabeth A. Draper, Belchertown	54	6	4
25	Fred Ruell, Springfield	73	0	29
26	Ida A. Keith, Belchertown	60	5	29
August				
9	Harry A. Hopkins, Belchertown	68	4	29
10	Bertha E. Gay, Belchertown	57	9	8
12	Frank King, Belchertown	67	11	28
14	Thomas Devine, State School	19	1	22

17	Margaret A. Moriarty, Belchertown	75	0	0
24	Mary E. Allen, Belchertown	85	5	26
September				
26	Mildred V. Densmore, State School	9	1	26
30	Clarinda Cross, Belchertown	78	10	21
October				
12	Margaret E. Shea, Belchertown	39	7	25
23	Sylvester Lebida, Belchertown	0	0	10
November				
1	Albert E. Dodge, Springfield	58	0	24
2	George E. Brooks, Belchertown	75	0	0
10	Murray Cohan, State School	12	7	23
11	Isabel W. Morse, Belchertown	78	0	3
13	Samuel Stevenson, Belchertown	78	6	15
16	Nancy J. Pierce, Belchertown	76	0	15
24	Anna M. Ward, Ware	62	7	16
December				
1	Clarence Curran, State School	18	7	13
5	George H. Bennett, State School	39	10	23
15	Joseph Paradise, Belchertown	72	0	0
16	James Harrington, State School	20	0	7
29	Jeremiah A. Riley, Belchertown	45	0	0

 NON-RESIDENT BURIALS

Date	Name and Residence	Age		
		yrs.	mos.	dys.
Jan. 19	Eliza D. French, Amherst	85	8	3
Feb. 6	Adella M. Sanford, Springfield	71	10	7
Apr. 20	Ora M. Shumway, Springfield	74	10	5
June 16	George I. Davis, Warren	75	7	6
June 26	Emma L. Keith, Springfield	65	9	3
July 26	Eddy M. Shaw, Providence, R. I.	79	9	25
Sept. 25	Amy H. Hamilton, Amherst	49	2	1
Dec. 7	Dwight E. Easterbrook, Chelsea	80	5	29

GEORGE H. B. GREEN, *Town Clerk*

Report of Assessors

Valuation of real estate	\$1,181,840.00
Valuation of personal estate	322,620.00
Rate of taxation \$36.80 per thousand	
Tax on real estate	43,491.69
Tax on personal estate	11,872.05
Poll tax	1,242.00
	56,605.74
We have assessed taxes as follows:	
Appropriations	78,983.00
State tax	3,720.00
County tax	6,091.26
State highway tax	645.60
Auditing tax	697.77
Overlay of 1924	64.21
Overlay current year	510.33
Estimated revenue	29,906.43
Free cash in treasury voted by town meeting to be used by assessors	4,200.00
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Total deductions	\$34,106.43
Net amount raised by taxation	56,605.74
Added assessments	\$128.13
Number of acres land assessed	31,347
" horses	340
" cows	1,095
" sheep	1

“	neat cattle other than cows	266
“	swine	47
“	fowls	13,490
Residents assessed on property		538
Non-residents assessed on property		132
Polls only		204
All others		139
Total number persons assessed		1,013

HENRY H. WITT

FRED M. FULLER

Assessors of Belchertown

Report of Collector

Balance in collector's hands Jan. 1, 1927, for 1925 tax	\$783.70
He has collected interest to the amount of	73.89
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	\$857.59
He has collected and paid treasurer, including \$2.00	
for abatements	871.75
Overpaid treasurer	14.16
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	857.59
Balance in collector's hands for 1926 taxes, Jan. 1,	
1927	15,298.70
He has collected interest to the amount of	402.27
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	\$15,700.97
He has collected and paid treasurer, including	
\$346.47 for abatements	14,037.00
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Balance in collector's hands for 1926 taxes	\$1,663.97
The amount committed to your collector as per asses-	
sors' warrant dated September 12, 1927	\$56,605.74
Added assessments	128.13
He has collected interest from Oct. 15, 1927, to Jan.	
1, 1928	102.71
Received from state for taxes on land in reservoir dis-	
trict not assessed or included in warrant	84.64
	\$56,921.22
He has collected and paid treasurer	41,145.25
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Balance in collector's hands for 1927 taxes	\$15,775.97

D. F. SHUMWAY, *Collector*

Report of Cemetery Commissioners

Appropriation	\$375.00
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EXPENDITURES ON APPROPRIATION

Cemeteries

Liberty—Mowing and cleaning	\$10.50
Rural—Mowing, cleaning and repairing fence	20.50
Lake Vale—Mowing and cleaning	18.50
Dwight—Mowing and cleaning	14.50
Hillcrest—Mowing and cleaning	26.50
Evergreen—Mowing and cleaning	11.50
So. Center—Mowing, cleaning and fixing stones	55.00
Mt. Hope—	201.77
One lawn mower and lumber	15.48
Balance on hand	374.25
	.75
	\$375.00

REPORT ON ENDOWMENT FUNDS

Balance on hand Jan. 1st, 1927	\$220.28
Receipts for 1927	192.50
Expenditures for 1927	412.78
Balance	384.25
	\$28.53

EDWARD A. RANDALL

GUY C. ALLEN

CHARLES G. TRAINOR

Cemetery Commissioners

Report of Treasurer

Cash on hand January 1, 1927	\$11,954.31
Cash received from Jan. 1, 1927 to Dec. 31, 1927	130,268.33 142,222.64
EXPENDITURES	
61 warrants, 1022 orders authorized by the Selectmen, shown in detail in the Town Accountant's report	\$130,466.02
Balance, cash on hand Dec. 31, 1927	11,756.62 142,222.64
AMOUNT AND INVESTMENT OF TRUST FUNDS	
Geo. D. Longley Music Fund	
Amherst Savings Bank	\$2,059.00
Ware Savings Bank	246.91 2,305.91
Calvin Bridgman High School Fund	
Amherst Savings Bank	6,606.69
Calvin Bridgman Library Fund	
Amherst Savings Bank	4,217.90
Cemetery Perpetual Care Fund	
Amherst Savings Bank	12,083.14
Susan M. D. Bridgman Cemetery Fund	
Amherst Savings Bank	215.37
Whiting Street Poor Fund	
Amherst Savings Bank	6,653.61
Susan M. Bridgman Poor Fund	
First National Bank, Amherst, stock	3,500.00
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	\$35,582.62

COURTLAND G. BARTLETT, *Treasurer*

Report of Town Accountant

BALANCE SHEET

ASSETS

GENERAL ACCOUNTS

Cash	
General	\$11,608.05
Trust fund	148.57
Accounts Receivable	\$11,756.62
Taxes	
Taxes of 1927	15,775.97
Taxes of 1926	1,663.99
Poll taxes, 1926	8.64
Taxes of 1925	37.03
Taxes of 1924	11.71
Taxes of 1923	32.32
Poll taxes, 1923	20.00
Outside Poor	436.75
State Aid	542.00
Forest Fires	14.25
Bridges	99.18
Town Hall	266.40
Highways, Chapter 81, Commonwealth of Mass.	150.00
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	\$30,814.86

INDEBTEDNESS ACCOUNTS

Net funded or fixed debt	\$51,500.00
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TRUST FUND ACCOUNTS

Trust funds	\$35,582.62
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LIABILITIES

		Overlayings
	\$37.03	Levy of 1925
	30.36	Levy of 1926
	510.33	Levy of 1927
\$1,029.89	452.17	Revenue
		Taxes of 1922
14.02	14.02	D. F. Shumway
		Balances
	98.84	Tailing account
	1,358.58	Departmental revenue
29,622.38	28,164.96	Surplus revenue
		Trust Fund Balances
	12.81	S. Bridgman Poor fund
	2.28	Whiting Street Poor fund
	50.99	Calvin Bridgman School fund
	53.96	Longley Music fund
148.57	28.53	Cemetery Perpetual Care
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	\$30,814.86	

INDEBTEDNESS ACCOUNTS

\$40,000.00	School building loan 1922
6,000.00	School building loan 1023
\$51,500.00	5,500.00 Amherst road loan 1925

TRUST FUND ACCOUNTS

\$6,653.61	Whiting Street Poor fund
2,305.91	George D. Longley School Music fund
4,217.90	Calvin Bridgman Library fund
6,606.69	Calvin Bridgman High School fund
3,500.00	Susan Bridgman Poor fund
215.37	Susan Bridgman Cemetery fund
\$35,582.62	12,083.14 Cemetery Perpetual Care funds

SUMMARY OF APPROPRIATIONS, TRANSFERS, EXPENDITURES AND BALANCES			
Account	Appropriation	Transfers & Additions	Expended
			Balances
Legislative	\$100.00		\$100.00
Electmen	475.00		.01
Accountant	325.00		.09
Treasurer	410.00		410.00
Clerk	250.00		258.99
Certification of Notes	10.00		4.00
Tax Collector	475.00		475.00
Assessors	650.00		663.61
Law	50.00		82.90
Election and Registration	300.00		203.95
Town Hall	350.00		297.89
Lawrence Memorial Hall	200.00		181.13
Police	250.00		252.43
Fire Department	400.00		389.85
Hydrant Service	2,000.00		2,000.00
Forest Fires	500.00		489.55
Tree Warden	100.00		85.30
Moth Suppression	400.00		396.65
Sealer of Weights and Measures	70.00		112.55
Health	500.00		3.35
Highways, Chapter 81	4,600.00		226.25
			273.75
			16,099.99
			.01

Streets and Snow Removal	1,000.00	959.83	40.17
Street Lights	1,820.00	1,786.44	33.56
Bridges	500.00	540.78	
Sidewalks	200.00	196.50	3.50
Dust Prevention	75.00	22.15	97.15
Ludlow Road	2,000.00	4,000.00	9,795.62*
Poor	6,000.00	5,012.72	987.28
State Aid	600.00	542.00	58.00
Schools	42,000.00	41,613.07	1,000.00
Unclassified	475.00	372.80	102.20
Memorial Day	150.00	150.00	
Farm Bureau	150.00	150.00	
Public Dump	15.00	15.00	
Dog License Tags	10.00	9.45	.55
Town Clock	48.00	48.00	
Insurance	650.00	102.08	
Clapp Memorial Library	500.00	500.00	
Cemeteries	375.00	374.25	.75
Interest	3,000.00	2,939.16	60.84
Debt	6,000.00	6,000.00	
Reserve Fund	1,000.00	515.49	484.51
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			\$3,356.90

*\$3,795.62 from Highways, Chapter 81

\$78,983.00

TOWN DEBT STATEMENT

Balance on school building loan of 1922	\$40,000.00
Coupon notes bearing interest at the rate of four and one-fourth per cent. per annum and maturing \$3,000.00 annually for 15 years from the date of issue, and \$2,000.00 annually for the next succeeding five years.	
Amount payable in 1928	\$3,000.00
Balance of school building loan of 1923	\$6,000.00
Coupon notes bearing interest at the rate of four and one-half per cent. per annum and maturing \$1,000.00 annually for 10 years from date of issue.	
Amount payable in 1928	1,000.00
Balance of Amherst road loan of 1925	5,500.00
Coupon notes bearing interest at the rate of four per cent. per annum and maturing \$2,000.00 annually for four years from date of issue, and \$1,500.00 the succeeding year.	
Amount payable in 1928	2,000.00

RESERVE FUND TRANSFERS

Reserve fund to Town Clerk	\$8.99
Assessors	13.61
Law	32.90
Police	252.43
Sealer Weights & Measures	42.55
Bridges	40.78
Dust Prevention	22.15
Insurance	102.08
	\$515.49

Belchertown, Mass., January 21, 1928

I certify that as Town Accountant I have complied with the requirements of Chapter 41 of the General Laws as amended, and find the cash balance and trust funds as shown by the report of

Town Treasurer Courtland G. Bartlett. The amounts shown as due for uncollected taxes in the reports of the Town Accountant and the Tax Collector differ because the Tax Collector has not taken into consideration the findings of the audit of September, 1926, by the State Division of Accounts.

WILLIAM E. SHAW, *Town Accountant*

Hampshire, ss. Belchertown, Mass., January 21, 1928

Then personally appeared before me William E. Shaw and made oath that the above certificate is correct.

Geo. H. B. Green, Justice of the Peace

Itemized Report of Receipts and Expenditures

RECEIPTS

GENERAL REVENUE

D. F. Shumway, Collector

Taxes of 1927	\$41,042.54
Taxes of 1926	13,288.26
Taxes of 1925	795.86 \$55,126.66

Commonwealth of Massachusetts

Corporation tax, public service, 1926	.46
Corporation tax, business, 1926	162.92
Income tax 1925	62.00
Income tax 1926	465.00
Income tax 1927	9,491.63
State School land tax	503.46
Corporation tax, public service	148.33
Corporation tax, business	518.75
National bank tax	61.53
Trust Company tax	25.86
Veterans' exemptions	52.35 11,492.29

Garage licenses

Belchertown Motor Sales	10.00
Harold B. Ketchen	10.00
Vernon L. Bardwell	10.00
William H. Squires	5.00 35.00

Pool licenses

Thomas Ferriter	4.00
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Charles Clark	2.00	
L. A. Cook	4.00	10.00
Victualler's license		
F. A. Croney	2.00	
W. F. Schwarz	2.00	
Geraldine Howard	2.00	
O. P. Barber	2.00	
Henry McKillop	2.00	
C. K. Rawson	2.00	
F. N. Whiton	2.00	
E. F. Shumway	2.00	
H. H. Barrett	2.00	
Ella Garvey	2.00	
Dorothy Moat	2.00	
John McKillop	2.00	
L. A. Cook	2.00	26.00
Innholder's licenses		
Thomas Ferriter	2.00	
D. D. Hazen	2.00	4.00
Miscellaneous licenses		
A. H. Phillips, oleo	2.00	
B. Jacobs, auction	5.00	
R. E. Fairchild, auctioneer's	2.00	9.00
Fines		
District Court of Hampshire, court fines	151.00	151.00
Grants and Gifts		
From State		
for Schools		
Massachusetts School fund	5,058.33	
High School tuition	1,250.00	
Vocational Education	715.40	
Smith-Hughes Vocational Education	181.15	
Superintendency fund	1,353.98	558.86

for Highways

Chapter 81, General Laws 1926	400.00
Chapter 81, General Laws 1927	11,350.00
Ludlow road	3,000.00

for Health

Inspection of animals	75.00	14,825.00
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From County

Dog licenses	618.10
Ludlow road	1,000.00
Wildcat bounty	10.00

COMMERCIAL REVENUE

Departmental

Memorial hall	
E. A. Fuller, rent	70.00
Social Guild, rent	5.00
High School, rent	10.00

Town hall

Idle Hour Club, rent	5.00
J. B. Giguere, rent	177.00

Sealer of Weights and Measures

Charles F. Autin, fees	33.92	33.92
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Highways

E. F. Shumway, tar	1.50	1.50
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Town Farm

A. F. Larose, milk	1,549.94
J. V. Cook, milk	1.80
Wilfrid Noel, wood	25.00
Union Grange, wood	5.50
I. G. Peeso, wood	10.00
American Legion, wood	8.00
Mae Quinn, wood	36.00
Ella Garvey, wood	38.00

H. D. Peeso, calves	20.00	
Wilfrid Noel, calves	14.00	
Wilfrid Noel, apples	36.00	
Wilfrid Noel, team work	25.50	
Wilfrid Noel, stock service	3.00	1,772.74
 State Aid		
Commonwealth of Massachusetts	510.00	510.00
 Schools		
Commonwealth of Mass., tuition state		
wards	1,413.61	
Town of Enfield, tuition	4,517.50	
Town of Greenwich, tuition	1,808.87	
Town of Prescott, tuition	75.00	
Town of Pelham, tuition	125.00	
George E. Scott, sale of old seats	1.00	
H. C. Knight, sale of old books	.80	7,941.78
 Cemeteries		
Guy C. Allen, $\frac{1}{2}$ lot in Mt. Hope	18.00	18.00
 Miscellaneous		
E. F. Shumway, Turkey Hill wood lot	225.00	225.00
 Interest		
Deposits		
First National Bank of Amherst	322.59	
Susan Bridgman Poor fund		
First National Bank of Amherst	210.00	
Calvin Bridgman Library fund		
Amherst Savings Bank	182.02	
Whiting Street Poor fund		
Amherst Savings Bank	300.00	
George D. Longley Music fund		
United States Treasurer	42.50	
Perpetual Care funds		
United States Treasurer	42.50	
Amherst Savings Bank	150.00	

Taxes

D. F. Shumway, Collector, levy 1925	73.89
D. F. Shumway, Collector, levy 1926	402.27
D. F. Shumway, Collector, levy 1927	102.71

Municipal Indebtedness

Bank of Commerce and Trust Co., revenue loan	25,000.00
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TRUST

Mrs. Nettie Chamberlain, care of Wm. Chamberlain lot	50.00
Mrs. E. B. Sanford, care of Terry-San- ford lot	50.00
Alfred T. Wright, care of David Wright lot	100.00
Amy Sands, care of David Culver lot	100.00
Albert E. Potter, care of Eddy Mason Shaw lot	100.00
N. D. Winter, care of Joel K. Winter lot	100.00
Mrs. Otto Palm, Jr., care of Otto Palm lot	200.00
	700.00

REFUNDS

George F. Bell, schools	94.00
Whiting Street fund	10.00

Total cash receipts for year ending Dec. 31, 1927	\$130,268.33
Cash balance January 1, 1927	11,954.31
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	\$142,222.64

EXPENDITURES**GENERAL GOVERNMENT****Selectmen**

J. V. Cook, salary	\$125.00
E. A. Fuller, salary	100.00

E. E. Gay, salary	100.00
J. V. Cook, expenses	48.89
E. A. Fuller, expenses	48.89
E. E. Gay, expenses	48.89
Hobbs & Warren, blanks	.97
Commissioner of Public Safety, blanks	.60
W. E. Shaw, warrants	1.75
	\$474.99
Accountant	
W. E. Shaw, salary	300.00
Commonwealth of Mass., forms	10.47
W. E. Shaw, postage ,telephone	4.20
Lewis H. Blackmer, supplies	5.74
Johnson's Bookstore, supplies	4.50
	324.91
Treasurer	
C. G. Bartlett, salary	350.00
C. G. Bartlett, postage and expense	32.00
George F. Lincoln, bond	28.00
	410.00
Collector	
D. F. Shumway, salary	350.00
D. F. Shumway, expense	65.50
Hobbs & Warren, cash book	3.50
George F. Bell, bond	56.00
	475.00
Assessors	
Henry H. Witt, salary	200.00
Fred M. Fuller, salary	200.00
A. S. Brown, salary	200.00
C. R. Green, expense	1.28
Assessors' Auto Tax Service, lists	5.00
L. H. Blackmer, advertising	4.48
Henry H. Witt, expense	9.00
Hobbs & Warren, forms	8.94
L. H. Blackmer, printing, supplies	11.71
Charles H. Chase, transfers and de-	
scriptions	23.20
	663.61

Certification of Notes

Theodore N. Waddell

4.00 4.00

Law

John H. Schoonmaker

82.90 82.90

Town Clerk

George H. B. Green, salary	120.00
George H. B. Green, recording fees	87.50
George H. B. Green, administering oaths	22.25
George H. B. Green, other fees	8.00
George H. B. Green, postage, express and expense	12.87
P. B. Murphy, supplies	3.00
Carter's Ink Co., ink	1.64
L. H. Blackmer, printing and supplies	3.73
	258.99

Election and Registration

Roy G. Shaw, registrar	20.00
M. J. McKillop, registrar	8.00
J. J. Kempkes, registrar	24.70
G. H. B. Green, registrar	25.50
H. F. Shaw, registrar	3.50
R. G. Shaw, auto hire	2.00
Mrs. LaCross, room rent	2.00
Patrick Keyes, Jr., election officer	4.00
Daniel F. O'Connor, election officer	4.00
Everett A. Geer, election officer	4.00
Bert Alden, election officer	4.00
Daniel Shea, Jr., election officer	4.00
John Keyes, election officer	4.00
Mrs. Ida Keith, election officer	4.00
Mattie Smith, election officer	4.00
A. R. Lewis, election officer	4.00
Marion Bardwell, election officer	4.00
Catherine Hanifin, election officer	4.00
Annie Austin, election officer	4.00

Emma Green, election officer	4.00
Henry Couture, election officer	4.00
Evelyn Ward, election officer	4.00
Herbert Shaw, election officer	4.00
Garrett Demarest, election officer	4.00
Charles Austin, election officer	4.00
Patrick Earley, election officer	4.00
Harry Ward, election officer	4.00
William Kimball, election officer	4.00
Thomas E. Hanifin, election officer	4.00
Ella Garvey, lunches	4.60
Mrs. P. J. Keyes, room rent and lunches	10.00
L. H. Blackmer, ballots	15.65
	118.25
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Total for Election and Registration	203.95
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Town Hall	
Herbert Story, janitor	180.00
Central Mass. Elec. Co., lights	38.24
C. G. Bartlett, lamps	.55
Town Farm, wood	13.00
Roy O. Baggs, kerosene	1.68
Carl F. Aspengren, kerosene	2.06
N. E. Tel. & Tel. Co., telephone	24.01
George A. Hussey, repairs	15.15
E. W. Howard, repairs	10.87
Roy O. Baggs, paint, glass, etc.	7.73
H. E. Sessions, repairs	4.60
	297.89
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Memorial Hall	
George B. Jackson, janitor	7.50
Central Mass. Elec. Co., lights	32.14
C. G. Bartlett, lamps	3.75
N. E. Tel. & Tel. Co., telephone	39.36
H. E. Sessions, repairs	6.90
J. Russell & Co., floor wax	8.50

Richard Schubert, tuning piano	4.75
Ryther & Warren, coal	76.75
George B. Jackson, lock repairs	1.48

181.13

Protection of Persons and Property

Police

J. A. Peeso, services in District Court	222.46
G. C. Allen, services in District Court	70.05
B. E. Shaw, services in District Court	83.17
Clarence Bisnette, night police duty	50.00
B. E. Shaw, night police duty	50.00
G. C. Allen, posting warrants and services	21.00
City of Northampton, use of lockup	2.50
Herbert Story, repairs to traffic sign	2.50
H. B. Ketchen, repairs to traffic sign	.75

502.43

Fire Department

J. Howell Cook, chief, salary	150.00
Herbert Story, services at fires	3.30
O. Durant, services at fires	1.00
D. Goodell, services at fires	.75
L. Chamberlain, services at fires	.75
R. Bardwell, services at fires	1.00
George Dewey, services at fires	.75
Lincoln Cook, services at fires	.50
J. Howell Cook, care of engine house	20.00
Ryther & Warren, coal	22.27
Central Mass. Elec. Co., lights	9.00
George A. Hussey, repairs on building	6.00
Howard Spencer, repairs on building	18.00
Belchertown Motor Sales, apparatus, repairs and maintenance	95.33
American LaFrance Fire Engine Co., parts	8.25
American Railway Express Co., express	.71

J. Howell Cook, telephone tolls	.70
H. B. Ketchen, gasoline and oil	1.54
M. C. Baggs, furnace	50.00
389.85	
Hydrant Service	
Belchertown Water District	2,000.00
2,000.00	
Moth Suppression	
Guy C. Allen, labor and automobile hire	203.00
Harold Allen, labor	124.50
Herbert Story, labor	68.00
Fitzhenry Guptill Co., creosote	1.15
396.65	
Tree Warden	
D. C. Nutting, trimming trees	1.50
C. K. Rawson, trimming trees	32.00
G. M. Kelley, trimming trees and auto hire	35.80
Elbert Howard, trimming trees	16.00
85.30	
Forest Fires	
Labor	
J. Howell Cook	12.00
Herbert Story	24.60
Howard Davis	8.00
M. Woods	12.50
J. Fletcher	14.00
R. Couture	9.25
G. C. Allen, Sr.	3.25
H. Allen	4.50
L. Chamberlain	14.50
L. Shumway	7.00
E. Woods	4.75
W. Colgrove	2.75
M. Dorey	6.25
B. Shaw	2.50

O. Bracey	2.50
F. Cameron	2.50
A. Ketchen	8.50
F. B. Carver	8.00
J. Fairchild	2.50
C. Austin	4.75
E. Shumway	2.00
R. Menard	1.50
Robert Baggs	4.75
R. Weston	2.00
Henry Lamson	2.00
James Lamson	2.00
Fred Dewey	1.50
Frank Batch	1.50
Harry Plant	2.50
T. Soja	1.50
Allen Ross	2.00
Max Gollenbusch	2.50
Wilfrid Noel	1.00
Frank Lemon	5.70
Henry Couture	2.50
L. Couture	7.00
W. Bridgman	1.50
H. Ketchen	4.00
Henry Gould	.50
G. Allen, Jr.	2.50
H. Conkey	1.50
A. Ross	2.00
R. Dunbar	1.50
Stanley Rhodes	1.50
E. Parent	1.50
T. Pratt	2.50
J. Melenphant	2.00
J. Lapolice	2.00
J. Soja	1.50

E. Fuller	2.00
M. Crowe	2.00
A. Rockwood	1.50
L. Ayers	1.50
W. Rockwood	1.50
W. Jensen	1.50
P. Bracey	6.50
J. Griffin	1.50
P. Menard	1.50
H. Couture	4.75
R. Camp	5.00
E. Brooks	4.75
P. Aldrich	.75
J. Armitage	4.75
P. Piper	2.00
W. Dodge	.75
A. Rowe	1.50
H. Green	1.50
C. Rawson	5.50
C. Rhodes	1.50
D. Rhodes	4.50
S. Rhodes	2.00
G. McPherson	3.00
G. Roode	1.00
A. Dorey	3.00
H. Bracey	8.00
B. Colgrove	1.50
A. Menard	1.00
S. Ripa	1.00
F. Ittner	1.00
C. Lynch	3.50
A. Cutting	.50
H. H. Lindsey	.50
R. Churchill	.50
J. Merrill	.50

E. Flaherty	2.40
J. Hussey	5.25
Joseph Savage	2.00
L. Cook	2.00
J. Riley	1.00
D. Goodell	1.00
Automobile Hire	318.45
Lincoln Cook	9.50
Harold Ketchen	3.00
J. Fletcher	8.00
Robert Baggs	3.00
Henry Lamson	1.00
A. Ross	1.00
P. Piper	1.00
O. Durant	1.00
C. Rawson	1.00
Joe Savage	1.00
Forest Fires, Miscellaneous	29.50
Standard Cash Grocery Store, gasoline and oil	11.88
A. H. Phillips, pails	3.00
Mae Quinn, gasoline and oil	1.45
Harold B. Ketchen, gasoline and oil	2.14
Belchertown Motor Sales, apparatus repairs	86.83
Ella Garvey, lunches	3.10
J. Howell Cook, fire permits	28.20
J. Howell Cook, signs	5.00
Total for Forest Fires	489.55
Sealer of Weights and Measures	
Charles Austin, salary	60.00
Dover Stamping Co., liquid measures	30.56
W. & L. E. Gurley, supplies	7.46

American Railway Express, express	6.53	
Boston Nickel Plating Co, plating	8.00	112.55
Health		
Dr. J. L. Collard, birth returns	4.25	
M. E. Cavanaugh, meat inspection	61.25	
Robert N. Baggs, meat inspection	2.50	
F. E. Burnett, meat inspection	144.75	
Maurice Moriarty, meat inspection	11.25	219.75
Jerry Griffin, burying horse	2.25	
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Total for Health		226.25
Bridges		
Labor		
C. H. Sanford	24.50	
Paul Aldrich	24.50	
H. D. Peeso	11.00	
Martin Crowe	11.00	
Howard Spencer	8.00	
C. L. Hubbard	4.50	
P. Moriarty	1.12	
R. Sullivan	1.00	
Fred Ruell	10.00	95.62
Teams		
E. E. Gay	9.00	9.00
Labor and Teams		
E. E. Gay	26.25	
Henry H. Witt	120.50	146.75
Trucks		
H. D. Peeso	4.50	
E. E. Gay	10.00	14.50
Materials		
Charles H. Davis	117.70	

W. A. Sauer	17.70
Ryther & Warren	82.55
E. C. Witt	5.00
E. E. Gay	51.96
	274.91
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Total for Bridges	540.78
 Repairs, Center Streets	
 Labor	
Joseph Lapolice	6.00
R. N. Baggs	8.00
John Armitage	6.00
E. E. Brooks	6.00
Jos. Malenfant	6.00
Frank Lemon	6.00
E. F. Shumway	6.00
	44.00
 Trucks	
E. A. Fuller	18.00
Howell Cook	18.00
C. F. Austin	18.00
E. F. Shumway	5.00
A. E. Dodge, repairs	59.00
C. V. R. R., freight	2.25
	1.34
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	106.59
 Highways	
 Snow Removal	
 Labor	
L. Austin	1.50
Jerry Griffin	12.00
John Armitage	7.00
M. P. Bowler	2.00
Frank Lincoln	2.00
Fred Lincoln	2.00

Charles Pranaitis	5.00
William Pranaitis	2.00
Steve Baranuik	6.00
D. C. Randall	4.00
Max Bock	6.00
J. F. Johnson	1.00
Leon Antanovitch	5.50
W. A. Sauer	9.00
Ludwig Hager	4.25
P. Brulotte	3.50
P. Moriarty	17.43
M. Sullivan	7.50
Fay Ayers	4.00
J. M. Cavanaugh	6.00
Fred Doerpholz	2.50
A. L. Slater	8.50
Joe Savage	12.00
Joe Malenfant	12.50
E. A. Fuller	6.00
Roy G. Shaw	6.50
Joe Lapolice	4.00
Frank Bach	1.00
D. C. Nutting	1.50
	168.18

Teams

Paul Bowler	4.00
E. E. Gay	24.00
Fred Lincoln	18.00
W. A. Sauer	24.00
H. C. Dodge	9.00
R. J. Sullivan	17.00
Joe Savage	3.00
P. Moriarty	14.00
J. V. Cook	25.00
	138.00

Trucks and Tractors

Howell Cook	7.50
Victor Zabek	51.00
J. M. Cavanaugh	225.00
Belchertown Motor Sales, Inc.	212.75
E. A. Fuller	11.00
Boston & Maine R. R., freight on plow	507.25
	7.06
	820.49

Ellen E. Nutting, watering trough	5.00
Herbert Story, street signs	2.75
Traffic Sign & Signal Co., street signs	15.00
Boston Duck Mills, flushing sewers	10.00
Central Mass. Electric Co., street lights	32.75
Solvay Sales Corporation, road salt	59.58
Boston & Maine R. R., freight on salt	1,786.44
	97.15

Sidewalks

M. C. Baggs, curbing contract	96.00
B. F. Hubbard, labor	15.00
R. N. Baggs, labor	11.00
E. F. Shumway, labor	13.50
E. E. Brooks, labor	9.00
Homer Couture, labor	13.00
C. F. Austin, truck	39.00
	196.50

Highways, Chapter 81

Labor

E. F. Shumway	747.00
John Armitage	193.00
Joe Malenfant	321.00
R. N. Baggs	346.00
E. E. Brooks	414.75
Frank Lemon	347.00
Joe Lapolice	168.25

C. L. Hubbard	38.00
William Pranaitis	149.50
John Gould	127.00
C. Pranaitis	78.00
W. A. Sauer	137.25
E. A. Fuller	27.75
Homer Couture	226.25
W. E. Eaton	154.25
E. E. Gay	105.92
B. F. Hubbard	233.00
Henry Witt	272.54
Rufus Pierce	164.50
H. W. Conkey	6.00
B. A. Chadbourne	4.00
Jesse Tilton	4.00
Arnold Rowe	4.00
P. Moriarty	161.13
R. J. Sullivan	73.50
Andrew Ketchen	1.50
Jerry Griffin	22.00
C. Lynch	144.00
James McLean	1.50
Howard Spencer	76.00
P. O. Bowler	7.00
H. D. Peeso	16.00
W. Clark	42.00
Herbert Story	28.50
Walter Dodge	4.00
L. W. Ayers	4.00
Leon Chamberlain	4.00
W. E. Bridgman	8.00
Paul Aldrich	56.50
E. O. Lofland	8.00
Roy Couture	33.00
L. A. Shumway, Jr.	37.00

Will Holcomb	4.00
Peter Hanifin	4.00
Peter Pierce	103.00
F. T. Doerpholz	15.00
John Chambers	2.00
Wm. Lines	22.00
Joe Savage	7.00
David Warner	2.00
J. Bromley	22.50
M. Sullivan	48.00
C. F. Austin	5.00
Harold Allen	20.00
Henry Aikey	12.00
Roy Bardwell	20.00
William Orlando	2.00
Elwyn Wood	1.00
B. Cover	18.00
Bernard Lemon	8.00
A. W. Stacy	2.00
Pernett Bracey	4.00
C. A. Dunakin	1.50
M. R. Ayers	4.00
Thomas Spellman	8.00
H. A. Baggs	8.00
E. F. Flaherty, Jr.	36.00
C. H. Sanford	22.00
Pat Early	3.00
Max Bock	3.00
E. F. Flaherty	20.00
John G. Flaherty	8.00
Martin Crowe	31.00
J. W. Hurlburt	3.00
Richard Baker	8.00
Thomas Austin	6.00
Wallace Bard	2.00

Edward Parent	2.75	5,484.34
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Teams

Patrick Kennedy	16.00
Town Farm	4.00
M. P. Bowler	8.50
James Garvey	1.00
Steve Baranuik	40.00
Harry Shaw	20.00
Fred Lincoln	162.00
Peter Hanifin	8.00
Leon Antanovitch	4.00
C. R. Green	4.00
Edward Dressel	27.00
J. H. Cook	4.00
P. J. Sullivan	167.00
R. J. Sullivan	274.50
George Akers	133.00
George Davis	145.00
E. E. Gay	289.50
J. W. Hurlburt	161.00
E. F. Shumway	153.00
Henry H. Witt	410.00
W. A. Sauer	353.00
Clifton Hamilton	109.00
P. Moriarty	8.00 2,501.50

Trucks

E. A. Fuller	987.00
C. F. Austin	1,252.25
Howell Cook	885.50
E. E. Gay	32.00
F. L. Gold	91.50
E. F. Shumway	5.00

R. J. Sullivan	2.00	3,255.25
Materials and Repairs		
Good Roads Machine Co., parts	5.00	
Holmes Talcott Co., parts	14.60	
Russell Grader Co., parts	7.40	
Russell Grader Co., drag	26.50	
American Tar Co., tar	304.33	
John S. Lane & Son, trap rock	51.22	
Belchertown Motor Sales, Inc., grease	1.00	
H. B. Ketchen, scraper repairs	37.50	
A. E. Dodge, repairs	5.75	
Belchertown Motor Sales, Inc., painting and storing snowplow	8.50	
American Railway Express, express	1.55	
J. B. Sibley & Son, dynamite	20.50	
N. E. Metal Culvert Co., culverts	194.91	
Ryther & Warren, tools	49.54	
Roy O. Baggs, tools and supplies	15.43	
W. H. Ballou, gravel	56.10	
Martin Whittemore, gravel	24.80	
Peter Pierce, gravel	1.60	
Otto Engelmann, gravel	19.80	
William Sullivan, gravel	4.60	
Theron Pratt, gravel	5.60	
C. E. Booth, gravel	14.10	
A. F. Bardwell, gravel	1.20	
Desire Ouillette, gravel	3.00	
Thomas Spellman, gravel	62.20	
Frank Eskett, gravel	4.40	
Mrs. Anna Coleman, gravel	5.60	
Merrill Williams, gravel	63.15	
Michael Garvey, gravel	17.20	
Steve Baranuik, gravel	26.70	
H. D. Peeso, gravel	5.00	
Zitka, gravel	1.80	

William Orlando, sand	2.70	1,063.28
Total for Chapter 81		12,304.37

(\$3,795.62 of Chapter 81 funds allotted and used in surfacing
Ludlow road.)

Ludlow Road

Labor

E. F. Shumway	147.37
E. E. Brooks	92.25
Joe Lapolice	48.75
Frank Lemon	81.25
R. N. Baggs	40.75
Joe Malenfant	88.25
John Armitage	80.25
M. O. Allen	104.00
Carl White	120.00
Herbert Shippee (roller man)	197.86
Harry Conkey	98.25
W. E. Eaton	53.25
Tom Austin, Jr.	4.00
E. F. Flaherty, Jr.	4.00
L. W. Ayers	23.25
J. W. Hurlburt	4.00
Herbert Story	19.00
Cornelius Lynch	10.00
C. L. Hubbard	14.50
Homer Couture	40.00
C. R. Green	9.00

1,279.98

Teams

E. F. Shumway	24.00
E. E. Gay	12.00
J. W. Hurlburt	16.00
Edward Isaac	4.00
C. R. Green	4.00

60.00

Trucks

Howell Cook	153.69
W. P. Austin	87.53
E. A. Fuller	193.39
C. F. Austin	261.16
Roy L. Tiffany	1,582.24
E. F. Shumway	108.00
Belchertown Motor Sales	448.48
	2,834.49

Materials

John S. Lane & Son, trap rock	2,009.77
E. E. Gay, oil and twine	2.50
Carl White, kerosene	.80
E. F. Shumway, oil, waste and brooms	6.25
R. N. Baggs, kerosene	3.60
Edward Isaac, roller repairs	1.00
Wm. B. Whiting Coal Co., coal	69.30
J. Russell & Co., tools and supplies	24.18
Hoyt Construction Co., roller	300.00
American Tar Co., tar	3,203.75
Total for Ludlow Road	5,621.15
	9,795.62

Charities**Outside Poor**

Sundry persons, board and care	1,590.75
Hampshire County Sanatorium, board and care	17.14
City of Northampton, relief	325.55
W. H. Dalton, groceries	9.53
W. E. Shaw, preparing state reports	5.19
Dr. J. L. Collard, medical attendance	37.00
Roy Bardwell, auto hire	25.00
Roy G. Shaw, burial	15.00
Farmer & Son, casket, etc.	25.00
American Railway Express, express	13.70

Charles F. Austin, digging grave	5.00	
Charles Trainor, digging grave	4.00	2,072.86

Town Farm

Wilfrid Noel, warden salary	720.00	
Mrs. Wilfrid Noel, labor	15.00	735.00
Clarence Bisnette, labor	2.50	
Esther Squires, labor	1.50	
Jennie Wood, labor	1.50	
Priscilla Bisnette, labor	2.50	
T. J. Fitzgerald, labor	8.00	
John Soja, labor	8.00	
G. George, labor	16.50	
Roy Couture, labor	4.00	
Homer Couture, labor	4.00	
R. A. French, labor filling silo	25.00	73.50
A. H. Phillips, groceries, provisions, etc.	274.24	
Roy O. Baggs, groceries, provisions, etc.	254.83	
Carl F. Aspengren, groceries, provi- sions, etc.	136.87	
M. J. McKillop, groceries, provisions, etc.	179.92	
F. E. Wilson, supplies	16.65	
Standard Cash Grocery, supplies	9.28	
Charles Sanford, supplies	2.25	
C. G. Bartlett, supplies	4.85	
E. R. Loud, supplies	2.05	
Joseph Noel, supplies	1.50	882.44
Ryther & Warren, grain, fertilizer, tools and supplies	755.09	
F. W. Mitchell, hay	105.88	860.97
N. E. Tel. & Tel. Co., telephone	16.16	16.16
Wilfrid Noel, warden expense	95.77	95.77

H. A. Hopkins, dry goods and clothing	55.24	
H. A. Hopkins Store, dry goods and clothing	11.06	66.30
E. A. Fuller, repair parts	10.82	
Sullivan Bros., repair parts	3.20	
William Squires, repairs	1.75	
Mutual Plumbing & Heating Co., repairs	1.88	
H. B. Ketchen, blacksmithing	17.38	
H. F. Curtis, blacksmithing	30.95	
A. E. Dodge, blacksmithing	20.30	
M. C. Baggs, repairs	2.85	
B. F. Fellows, repairs, harness	3.30	
Belchertown Motor Sales, repairs	.95	
H. B. Ketchen, repairs, shoe	1.90	95.28
Dale Bros. Laundries, laundry	24.50	
Mrs. Fred Bisnette, laundry	2.00	
Belchertown Motor Sales, batteries	3.60	
Dr. F. M. Austin, veterinary service	5.00	
Dr. J. L. Collard, medical attendance	34.50	
E. F. Shumway, eggs	.46	
H. H. Witt, eggs	1.13	
J. W. Jackson, newspaper and supplies	13.29	
Joseph Noel, milk	.80	
H. E. Kimball, spraying	16.50	
Mystic Chemical Co., insecticides	2.50	
C. H. Egleston, plants	2.35	
Belchertown Motor Sales, gasoline, grease, etc.	5.81	
Henry H. Witt, stock service	2.00	114.44
 Total for Town Farm		<hr/> 2,939.86 <hr/>
 Total for Poor		5,012.72

Relief by Mrs. Susan M. D. Bridgman			
Poor Fund			
Cash Aid	309.00	309.00	
Relief by Whiting Street Poor Fund			
Cash Aid	295.68		
Ryther & Warren, coal	33.17	328.85	
Soldiers' Benefits			
State Aid	542.00	542.00	
SCHOOLS			
Committee Salaries			
George E. Scott	50.00		
Everett A. Geer	40.00		
Etta Randolph	40.00	130.00	
Superintendent Salary			
Herman C. Knight	2,196.00	2,196.00	
Superintendent Expense			
Herman C. Knight	270.32	270.32	
Truant Officer			
Dwight F. Shumway	30.00	30.00	
Printing, Stationery and Postage			
Lewis H. Blackmer	48.57		
Fitzgerald Book & Art Co.	1.40		
Wright Potter Printing Co.	2.07		
Everett A. Geer	.86		
Remington Rand Business Service	4.35	57.25	
Telephone			
George E. Scott	5.90		
Everett A. Geer	3.75		
New England Tel. & Tel. Co.	42.24	51.89	

Traveling Expenses		
Thomas Allen	21.68	21.68
School Census		
Etta B. Randolph	25.00	25.00
Physician		
Dr. James L. Collard	50.00	50.00
Other Administrative Expense		
Ella A. Stebbins, office work	37.00	
A. J. Morse, counsel fees	10.00	
Lewis H. Blackmer, advertising	.90	47.90
Teachers' salaries		
Thomas Allen	2,020.00	
Esther Hagstrom	810.00	
Allan Cox	810.00	
Dorothy Higgins	1,370.00	
Lucy Hill	1,350.00	
Mildred Goodnow	750.00	
Martha Conklin	1,390.00	
Ruth Parker	500.00	
Emma Inman	500.00	
Simon Surabian	560.00	
Edith Towne	1,020.00	
Ruby Knight	970.00	
Gertrude Makepeace	900.00	
Lucia DeSilvio	540.00	
Earline Lawrence	270.00	
Marion Shaw	720.00	
Irene Orlando	860.00	
Helen Keyes	850.00	
Emma Stadler	850.00	
Alice Flaherty	760.00	
Madeleine Orlando	770.00	
Nellie Shea	1,000.00	

Bridget Fitzgerald	962.50	
Mabel Randolph	630.00	
Fina Thuin	180.00	
Mrs. James Garvey	14.25	
Marion Bartlett	10.00	
Florence Clough	485.75	21,852.50
School Nurse		
Grace Hoag	315.00	
Katherine Mansfield	176.00	491.00
Books and Supplies		
Remington Typewriter Co.	46.00	
Northampton Commercial College	47.25	
World Book Co.	59.67	
D. C. Heath & Co.	79.76	
American Book Co.	122.95	
Silver Burdett & Co.	21.66	
J. L. Hammett Co.	71.93	
Milton Bradley Co.	35.92	
Allyn & Bacon	17.48	
Rand Kardex Supply Co.	2.13	
Dowling School Supply Co.	127.67	
Edward E. Babb & Co.	113.53	
Houghton, Mifflin Co.	147.50	
Macmillan Co.	26.69	
Horace Partridge Co.	1.50	
Springfield Office Supply Co.	50.00	
Lyons & Carnahan	45.29	
J. B. Lippincott Co.	5.35	
Dentists & Surgeons Supply Co.	1.93	
Newson & Co.	4.38	
Iroquois Publishing Co.	150.88	
C. C. Birchard & Co.	9.99	
Ginn & Co.	70.42	
H. B. Ketchen	6.75	

Cambridge Botanical Supply Co.	70.60
T. D. Potter Estate	.75
Arthur P. Schmidt Co.	1.38
Kenney Bros. & Wolkins	29.63
Deans Music House	2.47
Roy O. Baggs	12.75
H. A. Hopkins	4.01
H. E. David	19.50
C. G. Bartlett	12.56
Mildred Goodnow	4.75
Masury Young Co.	28.75
Sam Fox Publishing Co.	.38
O'Connell Quirk Paper Co.	23.50
Dragon & Streeter	2.35
J. W. Jackson	4.05
Scott Foresman Co.	4.23
The Century Co.	9.74
	1,498.03
Household Arts Supplies	
M. J. McKillop	13.32
A. H. Phillips	72.11
William Orlando	19.10
Roy O. Baggs	44.04
Cora Newman	3.65
Albert Steiger Co.	14.94
Forbes & Wallace	37.28
H. A. Hopkins	1.80
H. A. Hopkins Store	1.33
Carl F. Aspengren	1.10
J. W. Jackson	.52
Martha Conklin, automobile hire	4.00
	213.19
Freight, Express and Cartage	
American Railway Express	13.82
Boston & Maine R. R.	8.89
J. Howell Cook	12.00

H. B. Ketchen	.50	
C. W. Morse	.60	35.81
Transportation		
Harold B. Ketchen	2,621.50	
Harry F. Putnam	600.00	
Harry C. Dodge	800.00	
Dwight C. Randall	750.00	
Joseph Lisiewiez	30.00	
Stefan Kopek	617.50	
Alexander Ross	680.00	
M. Lysick	463.25	
Emma Stadler	202.24	
Eleanor Gay	156.24	
Madeleine Sears	72.00	
Ruth Shuttleworth	108.00	
Everett A. Geer	32.57	
John Socha	10.54	
Walter McLean	6.30	
Raymond George	2.50	
James Garvey	3.00	
Donald Hazen	340.00	
Max Gollenbusch	75.00	
George Bell (insurance)	47.00	
Edward Landers	5.64	
Joseph Austin	8.07	
Helen Shea	5.64	
Stephanie Serwatka	8.07	
Mary Strycharz	5.64	
Pauline Strycharz	5.64	
Kathleen Shea	5.64	
Sophie Durza	5.64	
Stanley Krol	5.64	
Anna Wallace	5.64	
Marjorie Lyon	5.67	

Alice Lyon	5.67
Michael Flaherty	5.85
Edward Opielowski	5.85
Stephen Lebida	5.85
Stanley Bok	5.85
Regina Graton	2.40
Beatrice Zitka	1.50
George Zitka	2.50
Sophie Krol	5.17
Josephine Eirkus	2.40
	7,727.61

Tuition

City of Springfield	15.84
Town of Palmer	308.76
Town of Pelham	374.26
	698.86

Janitors and Cleaning

George B. Jackson	1,245.01
Richard Baker	297.00
J. Howell Cook	10.00
Ira Squires	21.00
Lucia DeSilvio	10.00
Bridget Fitzgerald	10.00
Alice Flaherty	10.00
Madeleine Orlando	10.00
Henry Bracey	25.00
James K. Sullivan	6.00
	1,644.01

Fuel

Martin Serwatka	4.00
E. F. Shumway	90.00
Ryther & Warren	1,924.78
Belchertown Motor Sales	95.25
Brown Bros.	350.14
George Brooks	16.75
Dwight Nutting	4.00

Three Rivers Grain Co.	6.00	
Walter Pratt	45.00	
Etta Randolph	4.50	
Theron V. Pratt	10.00	2,550.42
 Lights		
Central Mass. Electric Co.	94.95	94.95
 Repairs		
H. E. Sessions	.75	
Boston Duck Co.	10.62	
T. D. Potter Estate	16.52	
Joseph Belanger	6.34	
M. C. Baggs	32.00	
George A. Hussey	34.85	
Fay Ayers	125.00	
Howard Spencer	53.40	
Roy O. Baggs	5.27	
P. J. Keyes	302.30	
Ryther & Warren	70.70	
Everett A. Geer	1.25	
James McLean	3.80	
Richard Baker	5.00	
G. A. Authier & Son	114.00	781.80
 Janitors' and Toilet Supplies		
J. Russell & Co.	20.00	
Standard Oil Co.	.75	
O'Connell-Quirk Paper Co.	52.00	
Ryther & Warren	8.50	
A. H. Phillips	.42	
D. E. F. Radasch	27.50	
Homer A. Shaw	.85	
Young Bros.	15.00	
G. B. Jackson	2.62	
Roy O. Baggs	11.55	139.19

Grounds

D. C. Nutting, gravel	4.00
E. E. Gay, gravel	20.50
W. F. Fay, clearing land	34.00
Traffic Sign & Signal Co., signs	22.50
Earl Fay, labor	2.00
W. E. Bridgman, fence	147.25
James McLean, building toilet	275.93
Everett A. Geer, signs	5.50
	511.68

Furnishings

J. L. Hammett & Co.	19.00
Fred Medart Co.	64.80
Forbes & Wallace	113.50
	197.30

Water

Belchertown Water District	225.83
F. S. Gordon	14.00
	239.83

Miscellaneous

The Beal Press, diplomas	14.85
Commonwealth of Mass., boiler in- spection	10.00
E. Clayton Maxwell, preparing maps	30.00
Lucy A. Hill, entry fees	2.00
	56.85

Total for schools \$41,613.07

UNCLASSIFIED

L. H. Blackmer, printing annual reports	\$282.90
W. E. Shaw, preparing reports	55.00
Ryther & Warren, materials for closing school house	6.85
E. E. Gay, labor in closing school house	3.00
Joseph Malenfant, wildcat bounty	10.00
L. H. Blackmer, printing	7.55

R. E. Fairchild, services at auction	7.50	372.80
DOG LICENSE FUND		
Pierce Davies, balance on library roof re-pairs	510.45	510.45
DOG LICENSE TAGS		
Herrick Foote	9.45	9.45
LIBRARY APPROPRIATION		
Fay Ayers, repairs	114.55	
Clapp Memorial Library, balance of ap-proportion	385.45	500.00
MEMORIAL DAY		
Chauncey Walker Post A. L.	150.00	150.00
FARM BUREAU		
Hampshire Trustees for County Aid to Agriculture	150.00	150.00
INSURANCE		
Harold B. Ketchen	663.53	
George F. Bell	88.55	752.08
TOWN CLOCK		
F. B. Purdy, repairs	3.00	
H. E. Sessions, wiring	4.00	
H. D. Hoag, repairs	4.50	
J. V. Cook, care	36.50	48.00
PUBLIC DUMP		
John B. Giguere	15.00	15.00
INTEREST AND MATURING DEBT		
Interest		
Old Colony Trust Co., Amherst Road loan	300.76	
C. D. Parker & Co., Inc., school build-		

ing loans	2,142.50
Bank of Commerce & Trust Co., revenue loan	495.90
	2,939.16

Maturing Debt

C. D. Parker & Co., road loan	2,000.00
Old Colony Trust Co., school loans	4,000.00
Bank of Commerce and Trust Co., revenue loan	25,000.00
	31,000.00

CEMETERIES

Guy C. Allen, labor and automobile hire	115.50
C. G. Trainor, labor	111.75
Harold Allen, labor	102.50
Harold Kimball, mowing cemetery	8.50
William Bolter, mowing cemetery	6.50
E. E. Gay, pipe and fittings	13.02
H. B. Ketchen, braces for lawn mower	1.00
Ryther & Warren, tools and supplies	15.48
	374.25

CARE OF FUNDED CEMETERY LOTS

Guy C. Allen, labor and automobile hire	126.00
C. G. Trainor, labor	126.50
Harold Allen, labor	119.00
Ryther & Warren, tools and supplies	12.75
	384.25

AGENCY

Kirk H. Stone, County Tax	6,091.26
Commonwealth of Mass., State Tax	3,720.00
Commonwealth of Mass., auditing accounts	697.77
Commonwealth of Mass., repairs state highways	645.60
	11,154.63

INVESTMENT

Amherst Savings Bank, perpetual care bequests	700.00
	700.00

TRANSFERS

Clapp Memorial Library, S. Bridgman Poor		
Fund income	50.00	
Clapp Memorial Library, balance on Dog		
License Fund	107.65	
Clapp Memorial Library, Calvin Bridgman		
Library Fund	182.02	339.67

Total expenditures for year ending Dec. 31,		
1927	130,466.02	
Cash Balance December 31, 1927	11,756.62	_____
Grand Total	142,222.64	

Belchertown, Mass., January 21, 1928

This is to certify that the foregoing information is complete and correct, to the best of my knowledge and belief.

WILLIAM E. SHAW

Report of Sealer of Weights and Measures

To the Town of Belchertown:-

I have inspected and sealed the following for the year ending Dec. 31, 1927:

- 4 platform scales over 5,000 lbs.
- 10 platform scales under 5,000 lbs.
- 16 counter scales
- 18 spring scales under 100 lbs.
- 1 spring scale over 100 lbs.
- 1 computing scale
- 67 avoirdupois weights
- 8 apothecary weights
- 34 liquid measures
- 23 gas pumps
- 7 kerosene
- 9 oil pumps

I have collected and turned over to the Town Treasurer \$33.92.

Yours respectfully,

CHARLES F. AUSTIN

Sealer of Weights and Measures

Report of Selectmen

The Board of Selectmen organized Feb. 11, 1927 with Jacob V. Cook as chairman and Edward A. Fuller as clerk. The Board made the necessary appointments and have met each week to transact such business as came before it.

The greatest accomplishment in road work in 1927 was completing of a little more than 1 mile of macadam surface on the Turkey Hill road, beginning at the Ludlow Line and building towards the Center. This was brought about by a \$2,000.00 direct appropriation by the Town, \$1,000.00 from the County, \$3,000.00 from the State Dept. and about \$3,700.00 from Chapter 81 money, making a total of about \$9,700.00.

It is the judgment of the Selectmen that since the State allotment was increased in 1926 from \$75.00 per mile to \$100.00 per mile, that a portion of this amount should be spent for some permanent work rather than spent wholly for maintenance.

The highways have been a real problem this year due to the heavy rains and washouts which caused a lot of damage. Some heavy graveling which was planned could not be done on account of the cost of repairing the washouts.

A good showing has been made in the Poor department this year, the total expenditures being just over \$5,000.00 where some years this dept. has run as high as \$6,000.00 and nearly \$7,000. A further saving can be made in this department should the voters vote to sell the Town Farm property to the Commonwealth, which will come up at our next annual meeting, Feb. 13.

JACOB V. COOK
EDWARD A. FULLER
EDWARD E. GAY

Report of Board of Health

The Board of Health submits the following report: 104 cases of contagious diseases were reported during the year: scarlet fever 4, chicken pox 12, mumps 87 and 1 case of infantile paralysis. Of these cases 101 were reported from the Belchertown State School and 3 from elsewhere in town.

JACOB V. COOK
EDWARD A. FULLER
EDWARD E. GAY

Report of Overseers of Poor

The Overseers of the Poor respectfully submit their annual report for the year ending Dec. 31, 1927. Aid has been furnished to 7 persons in their homes. One is permanent and 6 temporary.

The requests for relief are always investigated and we find that in all cases have been justifiable. There are 4 inmates at the Town Farm.

JACOB V. COOK
EDWARD A. FULLER
EDWARD E. GAY

Report of Town Warden

Charles Clark, barbering	\$31.60
Refrigerator (A. L. Beique, Holyoke)	10.00
Mattress (Archambault & Co., Holyoke)	5.00
Wringer (Parfitt & Son, Holyoke)	9.00
Laundry	2.70
Good Seed Co.	.40
Sad irons (Mont. Ward & Co.)	1.75
Larkin products	2.80
Dishes, utensils, etc.	8.43
Other misc. articles	3.15
Repairs on shoes (O. W. Gavill)	2.15
Other repairs	2.00
Parts for manure spreader	1.07
Freight and storage on soap	3.37
Berries	5.60
Imp (soot destroyer)	1.75
Alden Bros., 50 gal. cider	2.00
Cash for inmates	3.00
There have been	\$95.77
four inmates the whole year	
one inmate two weeks	
nine prisoners for sixteen meals	

WILFRID L. NOEL, *Warden*

Town Farm Inventory

Cow No. 1	\$100.00	20 bu. potatoes	30.00
Cow No. 2	100.00	2 stone crocks	2.50
Cow No. 3	150.00	1 bbl. vinegar	18.00
Cow No. 4	125.00	3 vinegar barrels	4.50
Cow No. 5	125.00	10 cords stove wood	100.00
Cow No. 6	100.00	2 buck saws	2.00
Cow No. 7	150.00	1 cross cut saw	2.00
Cow No. 8	75.00	2 axes	3.50
1 heifer	70.00	1 buck	1.50
1 heifer	35.00	50 ft. rubber hose	4.00
1 pr. horses	250.00	2 hay forks	25.00
1 horse	25.00	1 pr. crotch straps	7.00
8 fowls	15.00	2 feed bags	3.00
1 pr. team harness	60.00	2 barn pails	1.00
1 pr. hearse harness	5.00	2 sleigh bells, 1 string of	
1 single harness	5.00	bells	2.00
1 driving harness	2.50	1 wrench	1.50
1 bridle	1.00	2 cable chains	3.00
25 tons hay	550.00	6 stake chains	4.00
Ensilage	75.00	1 hay knife	1.50
2 ladders	4.00	50 lbs. beans	5.00
6 forks	3.00	Grain	15.00
1 rake	.50	1 tie line	.50
2 scoop shovels	1.50	Salt	.70
Vegetables	3.00	2 bushel baskets	2.00
2 manure forks	1.00	1 express wagon	25.00

1 watering tub	20.00	1 5-gal. oil can	1.00
100 grain bags	4.00	2 crow bars	3.00
Shingles	2.00	Barn broom	1.00
1 buggy	45.00	Barn hoe	.25
1 dump cart	90.00	1 cant hook	1.00
15 cords wood	75.00	150 ft. 1 $\frac{1}{4}$ in. rope	5.50
1 spray pump	7.00	Small tools	5.00
1 spray pump	5.00	11 chicken coops	5.00
2 scythes and '3 snaths	5.00	2 stable blankets	5.00
1 evener and whiffletree	4.00	3 lanterns	2.00
1 cultivator	3.00	1 creamery tank	5.00
1 spring tooth harrow	5.00	2 pr. ice tongs	1.00
1 smoothing harrow	15.00	2 ice chisels	2.00
1 disc harrow	25.00	3 milk pails	3.00
1 mowing machine	20.00	1 milk mixer	12.00
1 tedder	45.00	2 grind stones	7.00
1 street blanket	1.00	1 corn sheller	3.00
1 pr. street blankets	12.00	1 corn planter	30.00
1 pr. hearse blankets	8.00	1 feed trough	1.00
1 Paris green gun	1.50	1 winnowing mill	5.00
1 feed cutter	5.00	1 express pole	3.00
2 plows	20.00	4 corn hooks	1.50
1 Sulky plow	45.00	2 washing machines	2.00
1 two-horse wagon	110.00	1 wash boiler	.250
1 one-horse wagon	20.00	1 step ladder	1.50
1 two-horse sled	25.00	2 wash tubs	2.00
1 one-horse sled	25.00	1 bag	.50
1 log drag	15.00	1 wash bench	.50
1 light sleigh	15.00	Hardware	1.50
1 hearse sleigh	30.00	Wringer	9.00
3 shovels	2.00	8 window screens	2.50
1 hoe	1.00	5 lamps	1.75
1 garden rake	1.00	1 nickle lamp	2.00
3 potato hooks	2.00	1 kitchen table	2.00
1 pick	1.50	1 center table	2.00

1 dining table	6.00	5 iron beds	12.00
Linoleum	2.00	Provisions	15.00
11 bureaus	20.00	2 set sad irons	2.50
2 stands	1.00	Dishes	10.00
1 range	35.00	Towels	1.00
1 parlor stove	20.00	Carpet sweeper	2.00
5 stoves	15.00	Congoleum	20.00
1 bed room set	5.00	3 rockers	3.00
7 pillows	3.50	10 chairs	5.00
1 feather bed	4.00	1 lap robe	5.00
4 mattresses and springs	20.00	300 ft. bridge plank	13.50
Curtains	7.00	Other lumber	15.00
1 lounge	1.00	Manure spreader	140.00
Pantry utensils	17.00	Seeder	5.00
Fruit jars	8.00	Saw rig	100.00
1 oil heater	4.00	Barrel cart	5.00
Canned goods	40.00	Wheel barrow	5.00
Bed linen	30.00	Stone boat	3.00
Wood box	1.00	Vise	5.00
Apples	25.00	20 cwt. fertilizer	50.00
Wash board	.40	Grass seed	1.00
Ice box	10.00		

Annual Report

OF THE
SCHOOL COMMITTEE
ORGANIZATION

School Committee

	Term Expires
GEORGE E. SCOTT	1928
MRS. ETTA B. RANDOLPH	1929
EVERETT A. GEER	1930

Chairman

GEORGE E. SCOTT

Secretary

EVERETT A. GEER

Superintendent

HERMAN C. KNIGHT

Meetings of School Committee

At 8.00 P. M. on the last Monday of the month
at Superintendent's office

Superintendent's Office Hours

In Memorial Hall

Tuesday and Friday P. M., 3.30 to 4.30

School Nurse

KATHRYNE MANSFIELD

School Physician

JAMES L. COLLARD

Attendance Officer

D. F. SHUMWAY

Teachers' Meetings

At Call of Superintendent

School Calendar

Schools reopen	Jan. 3, 1928
Schools close	Feb. 17, 1928
Schools reopen	Feb. 27, 1928
Schools close	Apr. 18, 1928
Schools reopen	Apr. 25, 1928
Memorial Day	May 30, 1928
Schools close	June 21, 1928
Fall term begins	Sept. 5, 1928
Columbus Day	Oct. 12, 1928
Thanksgiving recess	Nov. 29 to Dec. 3, 1928
Christmas vacation begins	Dec. 21, 1928
Schools reopen	Jan. 2, 1929

The following action has ben taken by the school committee:
"Voted, that pupils attending the public schools in Belchertown
shall not be excused from any session to fight forest fires."

Present Corps of Teachers

High School	Thomas Allen
" "	Simon Surabian
" "	Emma F. Inman
" "	Ruth C. Parker
" "	Lucy Hill
" "	Dorothy Higgins
Domestic Science	Martha Conklin
Junior High	Edith Towne
Center Second Intermediate	Marion K. Shaw
" First Intermediate	Irene Orlando
" Second Primary	Emma Stadler
" First Primary	Ruby Knight
Franklin Grammar	Nellie Shea
Franklin Intermediate	Helen Keyes
Franklin Primary	Gertrude Makepeace
Cold Spring	Bridget Fitzgerald
Liberty	Alice Flaherty
Union	Mabel Randolph
Washington	Madeleine Orlando
Music	Mrs. Florence Clough

Report of School Committee

During the past year considerable repairing and renovating of school buildings has been accomplished. At Franklin, where during the past three years the outside walls of all three rooms have been replastered over new lath and studding, the entire interior of the building has been painted and the wood work varnished. The result has been to greatly improve the lighting conditions as well as to vastly help the general appearance of the school rooms. At the high school a portion of the interior has been repainted to overcome the stain which has penetrated the inner walls from the brickwork. Repairs have also been made on the roof of the high school, and the roof and brickwork of the grade school.

The toilet building at Liberty has been replaced by two separate closets constructed on cement walls and over concrete vaults, which greatly improves the sanitary conditions about this school.

The wood lot north of the Union school house has been cleaned up by cutting the brush and thinning the trees, resulting in a beauty spot which allows passing motorists to obtain a view of the school. Incidentally, about eight cords of wood for school use was obtained at a cost of about six dollars per cord for the wood ready for the stove.

During the past year, traffic regulating signs have been erected at the approaches to all of the outlying schools. Owing to their obscure locations, Franklin and Union schools particularly present danger spots where school children are liable to run suddenly into the road where auto travel is relatively heavy, but it is felt by the committee that these signs will cause motorists to drive care-

fully through the school zones.

The close of the school year in June marked the closing of Rockrimmon for school purposes and the saving of a considerable sum of money each year, in addition to the advantage of placing the pupils of that district in a school where they have better facilities for their education.

The deplorable condition of the roads caused by the mild winter further demonstrates the necessity of cooperation between the school and highway departments in improving the surface of and removing snow from the routes traversed by the school buses.

In bringing this report to a close, the committee wishes to look into the future for a moment and express the hope that it will be allowed to use for physical education purposes the limited space at the rear of the high school as recommended by the State Department of Education.

The total expenditures for the schools during the year 1927 was \$41,613.07; of this sum, we received from the state and from other sources \$22,173.39, making a net cost to the town of \$19,439.68.

G. E. SCOTT

EVERETT A. GEER

MRS. ETTA B. RANDOLPH

School Committee of Belchertown

Report of Superintendent of Schools

"Education should not teach a way of living so much as a way of life."—Dr. Charles W. Thwing

*Members of the School Committee,
Belchertown, Mass.*

Dear Madam and Sirs:

The purpose of this report of your superintendent is to summarize the activities of the schools, so that you as committee members may be able to present to the people of Belchertown briefly but comprehensively the work that is being done in our schools.

Each year there are changes in the teaching force, and, when school opened in September, three changes had taken place in the high school. Mr. Allan Cox, who resigned to go to Fairhaven, was succeeded by Mr. Simon Surabian, a Clark College graduate. Miss Esther Hagstrom had been elected to a position in her home city, Central Falls, R. I., and Miss Ruth C. Parker, a Boston University graduate, was chosen to succeed Miss Hagstrom. During the summer the resignation of Miss Mildred Goodnow was received, and Miss Emma F. Inman, a graduate of Wheaton, was appointed to succeed Miss Goodnow.

In the grades, fewer changes took place. At the end of the year it was voted to transport the pupils of Rockrimmon district to the center, and Miss Madeleine Orlando, who had taught in this school for a number of years, was transferred to Washington school to take the place of Miss Alice Flaherty, who in turn was transferred to Liberty school to succeed Miss DeSilvio.

In my report of last year, mention was made of the need of new text books. New texts have been purchased. Algebra and Caesar texts have been bought to replace books that were already dilapidated. New books in chemistry and U. S. history have been purchased for the high school. Not only were the old texts worn out, but the field of chemistry is enlarging to such an extent that it becomes imperative to have new books in this science so that our young people may keep abreast with the times. Again, history is continually in the making and a new text from time to time becomes necessary.

In the elementary schools, the Bolenius second readers have been purchased for all pupils of that grade in town. Supplementary reading material for grades two, three, four and six has been purchased. The Iroquois arithmetics have been placed in grades three, four, five and six, and new arithmetic texts will be placed in grades seven and eight early in the year. The reading and arithmetic texts are new and scientific in their application of principles of reading and number, and are replacing books that were dilapidated and unhygienic.

The pupils of Belchertown still need new texts in spelling, geography, English and history. To furnish them is an economy of the time of the teacher, and still more important, the strain on the eyes of the child, who previously has had to constantly get his problems or English or spelling from the blackboard, will be eliminated to a large extent.

Many repairs have been made this year and they are appreciated by the girls and boys.

A phase of our school work that should receive more than passing comment is the health program. A May day program was given as a part of a state-wide program to stimulate interest in health work. Both schools at the center participated in this event.

Since school began in September, a series of three health talks by Dr. Fredrika Moore of the State Department of Health was the occasion for three stimulating teachers' meetings for the

teachers of both Belchertown and Enfield.

It became the duty of the school authorities to choose a successor to Mrs. Grace Hoag who had previously asked the committee not to reappoint her as school nurse for the present year. Miss Kathryne Mansfield was chosen from the several candidates who applied.

A physical examination of the school children of Belchertown has been given by Dr. Collard, assisted by Miss Mansfield. This is an important piece of work and its results must make a difference in the physical condition of the children.

More than a year ago, the State Department of Education urged us to ascertain the number of children who, according to the provisions of G. L. chapter 71, section 46, might be eligible to special instruction. A clinic from the State Hospital at Northampton was promised and late in the fall just passed, the examinations were made. No report has been received from Northampton as yet.

The interest shown in the schools by the Board of Trade is greatly appreciated. Through the kindly offices of this organization, Mr. Arthur B. Lord, Supervisor of Research and Statistics for the State Department of Education, explained to the people of Belchertown that the loss of high school pupils from the towns in the Swift River valley would afford an opportunity for the schools of this town to be reorganized more effectively and with but little added cost. It was pointed out by Mr. Lord that reimbursement from the state would almost wholly make up loss of tuitions.

The pupils and teacher of the Cold Spring school were recipients of an unabridged dictionary which was very generously donated by Mr. Lewis Blackmer.

Food sales held by the center grade teachers have been liberally patronized. The teachers of this school have had as their objective the gaining of playground equipment. Swings have been installed and also outdoor basketball equipment. The pupils have enjoyed the equipment, and especially the gift of the "slippery slide" which was donated by Dr. Collard.

This report would not be complete should the superintendent fail to acknowledge, and to commend particularly, the efforts of the teaching corps in their endeavor to improve their worth to the town they serve. Six of our teachers attended summer school. Four others have completed or are now pursuing correspondence courses. These efforts are very gratifying and afford excellent criteria by which to judge of the professional interest of the teachers in their work.

During the year there have been problems to solve and the helpful advice of the committee has been of material help. It has been appreciated.

In closing this report, which is the twenty-fourth since Belcher-town became a part of a union, and my second report, I wish to point out that the education of our youth is an important task, and responsibility for the successful carrying out of this work lies not on teachers, superintendent and committee entirely, but upon the community, and especially the home. Let us *all* accept the challenge by showing a hearty and generous cooperation to the end that our youth may have a richer and fuller preparation for the best in life.

Respectfully submitted,

HERMAN C. KNIGHT

Report of Domestic Science Teacher

*Mr. H. C. Knight
Superintendent of Schools*

My dear Mr. Knight:-

Again it is my privilege to write the annual report of the Household Arts department of the Belchertown High School.

The September, 1927, enrolment has shown a gratifying increase in pupils electing this course. This number of pupils is divided into a first, second, third and fourth year course. The content of these courses arranges for the gradual progression of subject matter until, at the close of the fourth year, the subjects of foods and clothing with related subjects are thoroughly understood.

Last year's work in clothing was completed by a fashion show. Every garment worn was a product of the clothing work. The productivity of the sewing work for ten months was valued at over one thousand dollars.

Practical tests of the work in foods were made when dinners were served to the "Advisory Board," Belchertown and Enfield School Committees and Superintendent.

Splendid correlation was developed in the making of costumes for work in other departments, also by the mending of uniforms for the Athletic association.

New equipment has been added to our previous supply. The articles are as follows: a linen table cloth, twelve napkins, forty-five pieces of china, eight sherbet glasses, and two sets of salts and peppers.

These facts seem to sum up the general points of interest for the past year.

Yours truly,
MARTH K. CONKLIN

Report of Supervisor of Music

"Music is the beautiful expression of ideal thought and of all human emotions."

*Mr. Herman C. Knight,
Superintendent of Schools.*

Dear Sir:-

Children in Belchertown are deprived of the musical advantages of the city, therefore we must strive to teach the pupils to appreciate, know and love good music. In order to accomplish this purpose and acquire success, special attention must be given to the songs, theory and sight reading.

Every month ten questions in theory are studied in order to be familiar with the fundamental principles essential to accurate sight reading. For the rest of the year, we will work more with the individual. We find when they read the syllables of the songs in unison, a few do all the work while the rest drag along, thus making it difficult to keep a definite tempo.

The assembly singing in the grades is still continued. This year we did not have the special Christmas operetta or cantata, but devoted our time to the carols. The tone quality must be improved in order to eliminate the nasal and throaty quality.

The High School chorus has its weekly rehearsal. Voices will be tested soon and the special glee club selected for graduation. The orchestra was organized this fall, and played twice at the Christmas party. We have six violins, one saxaphone and piano.

On March 26, 1828, Schubert gave a concert made up entirely

of his own compositions and personally took part. The Teachers' College at Columbia University are planning to celebrate this Schubert Centennial in March by giving a program of his most familiar compositions. It seems worth while for us to observe this Centennial by learning some of the most important facts of his life, and becoming familiar with some of his best songs such as, "Who is Sylvia" and "Hark, Hark, the Lark."

I am very grateful for the hearty cooperation of the superintendent, principal and teachers. The committee, parents and anyone interested in music are welcome any time.

Sincerely yours,

FLORENCE M. CLOUGH

January 9, 1928.

Report of Attendance Officer

Belchertown, December 26, 1927

*Mr. Herman C. Knight
Superintendent of Schools*

Dear Sir :-

I received twenty-three summonses from teachers and superintendent to investigate absences from school, which I investigated.

Very truly yours,

D. F. SHUMWAY

Attendance Officer

Report of High School Principal

Belchertown, Mass., Jan. 18, 1928

Supt. H. C. Knight,

Dear Sir:

In considering the quality of the work of the school, it seems that the school standard of past years is being maintained. The same points stressed in former reports may well be dwelt upon this year. The faculty is particularly interested in having each pupil pass, not flunk; succeed, not fail; go on to the enjoyment of greater mental and physical ability, not be slothful, inert, inappreciative of his splendid opportunity. Yet some fail. Yes, too many fail. With what exasperating nonchalance some flunk an exam! We note indifference, lack of study, wanting a vision of the future, no appreciation of what the subject will open up later, as some causes of failure. "It's too hard, too dry, of no use to me," says the pupil. The last reason, "no use," has for years come to me from both pupil and parent, not without some justification, perhaps.

Our course, planned chiefly with a view to accommodate those who wish to go to normal school or college, contains subjects that do not interest or appear to be of use to the many who are not headed that way. Without too much discussion of the matter here, instead of obliging all to travel the same road, take the same subjects, may we not be doing well to browse by the wayside and glean from present day events and happenings that which will vitalize and lend new interest to the educational route?

Not all theorems of Geometry, all divisions of Algebra, all of

English requirements, of history, science, Latin or French need be assigned to be conned and be a cause of tears. I feel deeply for those who faithfully try and work hard, yet come with brimming eye and quavering voice, bringing a poor paper. Some such ought not to attempt the subject at present, if at all; still, it is in the course and the point is needed. The retention of some subjects may well be considered in the light of what advantage it will prove to be in later years. Instead of obliging all to pursue the same subjects or reach the same standard, let us broaden our view, find replacement values and put material within their grasp that will hold the interest and instruct the group not college bound. The few who will have the privilege of further institutional training can do the extra work required for admission, nor will they suffer from the charge.

Your attention is respectfully called to the reports of the teachers of physical training. Miss Inman says, "The aim of the Girls' Phyiscal Education Department is to give the girls drill in a variety of exercises, marching tactics and games, and to teach them the essentials of good sportsmanship.

"By far the most popular sport we sponsor is basket-ball. Though the girls' 'Varsity' team puts in all possible practice, it has one serious drawback to face. During the school period, the conflict in classes makes it impossible for the entire team to practice as a unit, while at the close of the afternoon session the pupils are immediately transported to their homes. These conditions allow no time for extra curricula activities, such as ought to be closely allied to this line of work."

"During the past half year," says Mr. Surabian, "the boys of the High School have actively engaged in their physical culture. Had the Town Hall shower baths it would be a very good gymnasium. Due to the limited time for such classes and to the lack of shower baths, practice has been carried on in street clothes; only in basket-ball do they change and get the maximum benefit from

the exercise. A dry rubdown is no substitute for a shower and rubdown. Modern school buildings find the showers a necessity, and such, we believe, can be installed in the boys' basement at not too great an expense. This, an important part of equipment, is lacking.

"We have new suits for the boys' team, much new equipment and are trying to carry sail within our means."

Perhaps you may be interested to see how our athletic finances stand. The account follows:

RECEIVED

Oct. 12	Parking cars	\$123.75
Oct. 28	Collection	1.30
Dec. 22	Guarantee, Hopkins' game	10.00
Dec. 23	Balance on candy sales	3.35
Jan. 6	New Salem game	21.25
Jan. 6	Clark 2nds game	23.05
Jan. 11	Sale of season tickets	18.00
Jan. 17	Williamsburg game	24.35
Jan. 17	Athletic dues	23.00

Total		\$248.05

EXPENDED

Oct. 4	Basketball bladder	\$1.00
Oct. 7	H. Story, glass, Town Hall	1.50
Nov. 28	Express charges on suits	.49
Dec. 5	Iver Johnson & Co., basketball suits	65.53
Dec. 23	Paige Piper, transportation	4.00

Dec. 23	Clifton Graves, incidentals	.85
Jan. 6	New Salem game	16.00
Jan. 9	Iver Johnson, sundries	34.44
Jan. 9	Miss Inman, sundries	5.63
Jan. 11	Clark 2nd's game	21.00
Jan. 9	Clifton Graves, incidentals	.78
Jan. 17	Williamsburg game	17.00
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Total		\$168.22
Balance on hand		\$79.83

From the Commercial department under the direction of Mrs. Hill comes the following enlightening report:

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There was keen interest and much enthusiasm in the shorthand contest at the 1927 convention of the Connecticut Valley Commercial Teachers' Association held at Brattleboro, Vermont, on May 28, 1927.

Jason Hill of B. H. S. won the second event, a one hundred word one minute test for a small individual cup and gold medal offered by the Gregg Publishing Company. His was the only perfect copy.

Ruth Metcalf, typing 49.6 words net per minute, had the highest average of any first year student.

Diplomas for proficiency in rapid, legible business writing have been awarded Edna Howard, May Holcomb, Rose Menard, Ruth Metcalf, Helena McKillop and Pauline Corey by the A. N. Palmer Company.

Pauline Corey, Jason Hill, John Socha and Madelaine Haesaert passed the 100-word Gregg Transcription, having written for five minutes at 100 words a minute, and having transcribed the notes neatly and accurately on the typewriter.

Alice Pratt and Clifton Graves received the 60-word certifi-

cate.

Typewriting certificates were won by Mandy Eskett, Elizabeth Rand, Ruth Metcalf, Alice Pratt, Rose Menard and Evelyn Downing.

Bronze pins, Rose Menard, Alice Pratt, Ruth Metcalf, Jason Hill, John Socha, Madelaine Haesaert, Pauline Corey.

Silver pins, Ruth Metcalf, Pauline Corey.

The L. C. Smith & Corona, Underwood, and Remington Type-writer companies gave the typewriting awards.

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Your sympathy with the problems of the school and your efforts to place it on a higher plane of efficiency are much appreciated.

On the whole there is a generous spirit of co-operation shared by pupils and faculty. We desire this spirit to continue and function so readily that there may be no lack of harmony, and thus accomplish better the purpose of our endeavors.

We appreciate the continued and careful attention given our rooms by Mr. Jackson. To find all in readiness to start the day's work is a great help.

Respectfully submitted,

THOMAS ALLEN,

Principal

Report of School Physician

Superintendent H. C. Knight

Dear Sir:

The physical examination of the pupils has been completed with very gratifying results to us, and we hope the same is true as regards the parents. The results, you will find in Miss Mansfield's report. As one of the requirements to enter a state normal school is a good physical examination, I think it would be advisable for each of our teachers to undergo a complete physical examination if they are to teach the children health education.

I wish more parents could see the need of having bad throats taken care of.

The Toxin anti toxin treatment is to be given the children, which if all would avail themselves, would stamp out diphteria in Belchertown.

Yours truly,

JAMES L. COLLARD

School Physician

Report of School Nurse

*Mr. Herman C. Knight
Superintendent of Schools*

Dear Sir:-

I hereby submit my report as school nurse from October 10, 1927 to December 31, 1927.

School visits	48
Home visits	26
Complete physical examinations by Dr. Collard, nurse assisting	470
Tonsils, enlarged or diseased	242
Enlarged adenoids	242
Teeth, carious or irregular	219
Heart irregular, murmur	8
Special heart examinations were given the High school athletes, boys and girls.	
Inspections by nurse, hair, teeth and hands	178
Notices sent for Pediculosis	30
Pupils weighed and measured	354
Underweight three pounds or more	66
Contagious diseases	
Infantile paralysis	1
Mumps (reported)	1
Whooping cough (reported)	16

A few pupils have not been successfully vaccinated. It is advised that each child be vaccinated before entering school. All parents were notified in regard to defects found.

A clinic for mentally retarded children was held by Dr. Whitney and Miss Davis, psychologist, of the State hospital at Northampton, at which thirty-one (31) pupils were examined. I assisted at this clinic, also visited the home of each child examined and reported the social histories of each one.

The diphtheria toxin anti-toxin treatment will be given in the schools soon after the Christmas vacation. Diphtheria is a dreadful disease and especially dangerous to children. It can be prevented by the use of the diphtheria toxin anti-toxin treatment. It is hoped that all parents will see the benefit of this immunization and allow their children to receive the treatment.

During the fall, I had the opportunity to attend the three very instructive lectures given to the teachers by Dr. Fredrika Moore, pediatrician, of the state department of health. Dr. Moore spoke on "Health Education" and explained how the study of health may be pleasantly correlated with the daily work in the class rooms and with the games in the play grounds. She emphasized the necessity of good health in order that the child may learn and develop properly. I would say that the health work in the schools has been well started.

I appreciate your help and splendid cooperation, Mr. Knight, also that of the teachers and parents.

Respectfully,

KATHRYNE MANSFIELD, R. N.

Name of School	Teacher	STATISTICS FOR YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 1927				Per cent.	Cases
		Total	Av. Mem-	Av. Att.	Mem'ship		
High	Thos. Allen	137	126.29	118.71	94.02	178	
Center Grammar	Edith L. Towne	32	22.99	21.42	93.07	23	
Center Intermediate "A"	Mrs. Marion K. Shaw	47	38.15	36.04	94.38	84	
Center Intermediate "B"	Irene Orlando	50	31.04	28.96	93.17	65	
Center Primary "A"	Emma Stadler	55	34.82	32.50	93.17	46	
Center Primary "B", Franklin Grammar	Ruby F. Knight	37	28.32	25.50	90.20	85	
Franklin Intermediate	Nellie G. Shea	24	21.90	21.68	98.90	2	
Franklin Primary	Helen Keyes	41	39.46	38.79	98.30	5	
Cold Spring	Gertrude Makepeace	23	22.43	21.89	97.18	3	
Liberty	Bridget C. Fitzgerald	22	20.82	19.65	93.24	25	
Union	Lucia M. DeSilvio	32	29.96	28.80	96.25	7	
	Mabel Randolph	33	25.97	23.12	89.02	13	
	*Earline Lawrence						
Washington	Alice Flaherty	20	14.84	13.88	93.30	92	
Rockrimmon	Madeleine Orlando	20	17.93	16.81	94.84	15	
Summary		573	474.92	447.75	94.36	643.	

*Substitute for three months

Honor Roll

NOT ABSENT DURING 1926-27

High School	Franklin
A. Preston Atwood	Sebastian Dudek
Carrie M. Atwood	Agnes Dusza
Henry C. Eskett	Catherine Kawalec
Mandy Eskett	Dorothy Keyes
*E. Vera Gilpin	Zophie Kulig
†Anna Lego	Albert Lebida
George E. McPherson, Jr.	Fred Opielowski
*Ruth H. Metcalf	Frank Ostafinski
Walter E. Roode	Louise Pietras
Madeline Sears	Agnes Sourwecki
Jane Shumway	Julia Sourwecki
*Home in Enfield	Peter Syper
†Home in Greenwich	Veronica Syper
	John Wegiel
Center Grade Schools	
Raymond Bruce	Stanley Wegiel
Michael Baranuik	Anne Wolanik
Elizabeth Ketchen	Mary Wolanik
Montiel Roode	Catherine Wynzen
Albert Schmidt	Cold Spring
Edward Schmidt	Alexander Oseep
Lewis Squires	Joseph Smgiel
Rockrimmon	
Viola Whidden	

CENSUS OF 1927

	5 to 7 yrs.	7 to 14 yrs.	14 to 16 yrs.	Totals
Boys	55	139	42	236
Girls	61	142	41	244
Totals	116	281	83	480

CLASSIFICATION OF SCHOOL EXPENDITURES

For the year ending December 31, 1927

GENERAL CONTROL

School Committee			
Salaries		\$130.00	
Census		25.00	
Telephone and other expenses		49.08	\$204.08

Superintendent, and office expense			
Salary		2,196.00	
Attendance Officer		30.00	
Traveling expense		242.70	
Printing, postage, stationery		29.58	
Telephone		58.44	
Supplies and incidentals		91.95	2,648.67

INSTRUCTION

Salaries of teachers	21,791.75	
Expenses of teachers	60.75	
Textbooks and supplies	1,233.19	
Household Arts supplies	238.86	
Express and cartage	22.17	23,346.72

OPERATION OF SCHOOL PLANT

Janitor service	1,600.01
Fuel	2,586.42
Miscellaneous expense—water, lights, janitors' supplies, etc.	578.07 4,764.50

MAINTENANCE OF SCHOOL PLANT

Repairs and replacement	1,317.54	1,317.54
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AUXILIARY AGENCIES

Promotion of Health	551.89
Transportation to schools within town	7,589.51
Tuition and transportation to schools in other towns	449.26
Miscellaneous	192.07 8,782.73

NEW EQUIPMENT

Fence	147.25
Lockers	71.98
Surveying	5.00 224.23

VOCATIONAL EDUCATION

Tuition, Palmer, Continuation School	308.76
Tuition, Springfield, Continuation School	15.84 324.60

Total \$41,613.07

TABULATION OF SCHOOL EXPENDITURES AND

RECEIPTS

Total expenditures \$41,613.07

RECEIPTS

General School Fund, Part I, Nov., 1927	\$5,337.63
General School Fund, Part II	5,058.33
Salary of school superintendent	1,353.98
High school grant	1,250.00
State wards, tuition and transportation	1,413.61
Enfield, tuition	4,517.50

Greenwich, tuition	1,808.87
Prescott, tuition	75.00
Pelham, tuition	125.00
Vocational Education and Household Arts	715.40
Smith-Hughes grant	181.15
Income from trust funds	336.92
	22,173.39
Net cost to town	\$19,439.68

Graduating Exercises

Class of 1927

Bethelton High School

The Laurence Memorial Hall

June 29

Nineteen Hundred Twenty-seven

at eight-thirty o'clock

Class Colors: Purple and White
Class Flower: Sweet Pea
Class Motto: Usui Erimus

Graduates

Madelaine Nellie Haesaert
Jason Hartwell Hill
Mae Evelyn Holcomb
Edna Austin Howard
Avis Cora Hussey
*Gladys Margaret King
Edward James Landers
*Madeline Rose Sears
Helen Rosemary Shea
Ruth Elinor Shuttleworth
John Stanley Socha
Esther May Squires
Ruth Gladys Walker
Beatrice Wilma Zitka

*With honor

Program

March	Glee Club	Wellesley
	B. H. S. Orchestra	
Invocation		
Moonlit Meadows	Chorus	<i>Czibulka</i>
Salutatory		Gladys M. King
Declamation	What Is Statesmanship ?	<i>Borah</i>
	John S. Socha	
Essay	Shall We Abolish Capital Punishment ?	
	Beatrice W. Zitka	
Duet	The Misses Lego	Canoe Song <i>Pestalozza</i>
Class History		Helen R. Shea
Essay	The Swift River Crisis	Madelaine N. Haesaert
Violin Solo		Helen R. Shea
1927 Class Play	Frank Glynn's Wife	
	<i>CAST OF CHARACTERS</i>	
<i>Frank Glynn</i>	<i>a newly married couple</i>	Jason H. Hill
<i>Alice Glynn</i>		Ruth G. Walker
<i>Mrs. Glynn, Frank's mother</i>		Mae E. Holcomb
<i>Stella Glynn, his sister</i>		Ruth E. Shuttleworth
<i>Gertie, Alice's cousin</i>		Beatrice W. Zitka
<i>Norah, a servant girl</i>		Edna A. Howard
<i>Ed. Asbury, Frank's chum</i>		Edward J. Landers
The Skippers of St. Ives	Boys' Chorus	<i>Roeckel</i>
Class Prophecy	What We Shall Not Be	Avis C. Hussey
Reading	Hats Off !	<i>Bennett</i>
Declamation		<i>Anon</i>
Girls' Double Trio	To A Wild Rose	<i>Mac Dowell</i>
Reading	The House by the Side of the Road	<i>Foss</i>
	Esther M. Squires	
Class Will		Edna A. Howard
Valedictory		Madeline R. Sears
Coronation March	Chorus	<i>Myerbeer</i>
Presentation of Diplomas		
	Herman C. Knight, Superintendent of Schools	
Graduation Song		<i>Cooper</i>
Benediction		
	Esther L. Hagstrom, Accompanist	

Report of Trustees of Clapp Memorial Library

The trustees of Clapp Memorial library take this opportunity to thank the voters of the town for their cooperation by making an appropriation of \$500 for use of the library in 1927. The trustees have been enabled by the use of this money to make repairs on the building that would not have been possible had they been obliged to depend on the income of invested funds. The roof of the building was repaired and the outside painting was taken care of in 1926. During 1927 the joints in the masonry were pointed up by local masons.

The trustees also arranged for the restoration of the memorial windows at the north and south ends of the building but were unable to have the work completed in time to include a report of the costs in the financial report of town officers. The cost of the memorial window repairs will be approximately \$500. This amount may appear excessive, but at a low estimate it would cost \$2500 to replace the windows, and when the repair work is completed, the windows will be as good as new. The windows are being removed and completely rebuilt. It has been found that some sections were held by only one or two wires, and had these given way and the glass fallen, they would have been irreparably damaged.

It is a source of gratification to the trustees that the circulation of books in the library has increased during the past year. The trustees urge all to make greater use of the institution and will appreciate suggestions anyone has to offer about making the library of greater service to the community.

Respectfully submitted,
WILLIAM E. SHAW,
Secretary of Trustees

Town Warrant

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
HAMPSHIRE, SS.

*To either of the Constables of the Town of Belchertown, in said
County,*

GREETING:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby required to notify and warn all the inhabitants of the Town of Belchertown, qualified to vote in elections of town officers, to meet at the several polling places in said Belchertown, designated by the Selectmen, to wit:

IN PRECINCT A, at Town Hall in Park Street.

IN PRECINCT B, at Keyes' Hotel (room on street floor, entrance from Keyes' Street) in South Belchertown, on Monday, the sixth day of February A. D. 1928, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon, then and there to give in their votes on one ballot to precinct officers of the several polling precincts of said Town, for the following officers, to wit: a Town Clerk, a Treasurer, three Selectmen, five Constables, a Tax Collector, and a Tree Warden, each for one year; one School Committee for three years; one Assessor for three years and one Cemetery Commissioner for three years.

The polls will be open at ten o'clock in the forenoon and may be closed at five o'clock in the afternoon.

And you are further hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of said Belchertown, qualified to vote in town affairs, to meet at the Lawrence Memorial Hall in said Belchertown, on Monday, the thirteenth day of February A. D. 1928, at 7.30

o'clock in the evening, then and there to act on the following articles, *viz*:

Art. 1. To choose a moderator to preside at said meeting.

Art. 2. To choose the following named officers by nomination; two Almoners of the Whiting Street and the Mrs. Susan M. D. Bridgman Funds, each for one year; one Trustee of the Calvin Bridgman Fund for three years.

Art. 3. To hear the reports of the officers of the town and of any committees that may have been appointed by the town and act thereon.

Art. 4. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate such sums of money as shall be deemed necessary to defray ~~the~~ expenses of the current financial year.

Art. 5. To see if the town will appropriate \$150.00 for the support of the Hampshire Trustees for County Aid to Agriculture and elect a director of that organization who will be the official town representative for the Trustees for County Aid to Agriculture as per Chapter 273 of the Acts of 1918.

Art. 6. To see if the town will vote to give to Clapp Memorial Library the balance of the dog license fund after ~~damages~~ are paid.

Art. 7. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$500.00 for the use of the Clapp Memorial Library for the year ensuing and act thereon.

Art. 8. To see if the town will authorize the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of revenue of the municipal year beginning January 1, 1928, to an amount not exceeding in the aggregate \$35,000.00 and to issue a note or notes therefor payable within one year, and any debt or debts incurred under this vote to be paid from the revenue of said municipal year.

Art. 9. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$290.00 for the purchase of the beacon light situated at the head of Maple street.

Art. 10. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate

the sum of \$1,500.00 to be used in conjunction with such sums as may be allotted by the state and county for permanent construction work on the Turkey Hill road so called, beginning where the work ended in 1927 and continuing in the direction of Croney's corner.

Art. 11. To see if the town will vote to sell, for the sum of \$8,000.00, to the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, a certain tract or parcel of land, with the buildings thereon, situate in said Belchertown, known as the Poor Farm, so called, containing 99.1 acres as surveyed by Civil Engineer C. E. Davis of Northampton, Mass., or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 12. To see if the town will vote to sell the live stock, the farm implements and equipments, the furniture and all other personal property on said farm.

Art. 13. To see if the town will, in event of the sale of the so called Poor Farm property, including both the real and personal property, establish a permanent fund from the proceeds of such sale, and such permanent fund to be invested by the treasurer of the town with the approval of the selectmen; the income from this fund to be annually added to the appropriation for the Poor department; or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 14. To see if the town will vote to extend the street lighting system on the Springfield road by installing one more light near the house of Anna Lapolice, and raise and appropriate money for the same.

Art. 15. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,500.00 for permanent repairs on the Three Rivers road between the two stretches of road now completed near Liberty school and continuing from the new road near the residence of J. T. Geer northerly as far the money will go.

Art. 16. To see if the town will act to rescind the vote taken at its last annual town meeting held in February, 1927, relative to the leasing of a certain "right of way" over land of the town, to the Belchertown Motor Sales, Inc.

Art. 17. To see if the town will vote to lease to the Belcher-

town Motor Sales, Inc., a "right of way" over land of the town situate near the garage building now occupied by said corporation; said "right of way" to begin at Jabish street at the end of a pipe line fence erected on the westerly side of the present driveway and following the line of said fence to a point opposite, and about fourteen (14) feet from the rear corner of the aforementioned garage; thence in a straight line to an iron pin driven into the ground on the boundary line of lands of Martin Crowe and the town of Belchertown; said iron pin being about thirteen and one-half (13½) feet from the corner of Martin Crowe's land and that of Henry R. Gould, thus providing a driveway approximately thirteen and one-half (13½) feet in width from Jabish street to Martin Crowe's land; said lease to run for a period of five years from January 1, 1928, with the privilege of renewing the said lease for a further period or periods of five years, at an annual rental of \$10.00 and that the Board of Selectmen shall be and hereby is authorized to act for the town in executing in behalf of the town a lease of the "right of way" to the Belchertown Motor Sales, Inc.

Art. 18. To see if the town will vote to change the name of the street now known as West Walnut street to John W. Jackson street or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 19. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to build a sidewalk from the lower bridge in So. Belchertown for a distance of nine hundred (900) feet, more or less, in the direction of the B. and A. railroad tracks, said walk to be three (3) feet in width, or take any action in relation thereto.

Art. 20. To see if the town will authorize the Selectmen to defend the town or take such action as the Board deems for the best interests of the town in the action of tort brought against the town in the Superior Court by Louis G. Woodbury and Milo K. Woodbury.

Art. 21. To transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting.

And you are directed to serve this warrant by posting attested

copies thereof, one on the Town Hall, one on the brick store in Main street, one at Dwight and one at Keyes hotel, seven days at least before the time of holding said meeting.

Hereof fail not and make due return of this warrant with your doings thereon to the Town Clerk at or before the time of holding said meeting.

Given under our hands this twenty-third day of January, A. D. 1928.

JACOB V. COOK
EDWARD A. FULLER
EDWARD E. GAY

Selectmen of Belchertown

Report of Finance Committee

Account	Appropriation 1927	Expended 1927	Salary 1927	Recommended Expenses	1928 Total
Legislative	\$100.00				150.00
Selectmen	475.00	\$474.99	325.00	150.00	475.00
Accountant	325.00	324.91	300.00	25.00	325.00
Treasurer	410.00	410.00	350.00	100.00	450.00
Clerk	250.00	258.99	120.00	130.00	250.00
Certification of Notes	10.00	4.00			10.00
Tax Collector	475.00	175.00	350.00	160.00	510.00
Assessors	650.00	663.61	600.00	50.00	650.00
Law	50.00	82.90			100.00
Election and Registration	300.00		203.95		450.00
Town Hall	350.00		297.89		300.00
Lawrence Memorial Hall	200.00		181.13		200.00
Police	250.00		502.43		250.00
Special Police			100.00		1,000.00
Fire Department	400.00	389.85			400.00
Hydrant service	2,000.00		2,000.00		2,000.00
Forest Fires	500.00		489.55		500.00
Tree Warden	100.00		85.30		100.00
Moth Suppression	400.00		396.65		400.00
Sealer of Weights and Measures	70.00		112.55		75.00
Health	500.00		226.25		375.00
Highways, Chapter 81	4,600.00		16,099.99		4,600.00
Streets and Snow Removal	1,000.00		959.83		1,000.00

Street Lights	1,820.00	1,786.44
Bridges	500.00	540.78
Dust Prevention	75.00	97.15
Poor	6,000.00	5,012.72
State Aid	600.00	542.00
Schools	42,000.00	41,613.07
Unclassified	475.00	372.80
Memorial Day	150.00	150.00
Sidewalks	200.00	196.50
Public Dump	15.00	15.00
Dog License Tags	10.00	9.45
Town Clock	48.00	48.00
Insurance	650.00	752.08
Cemeteries	375.00	374.25
Interest	3,000.00	2,939.16
Debt	6,000.00	6,000.00
Reserve Fund	1,000.00	515.49
Additional Appropriations		
Art. 5.	150.00	150.00
Art. 6.		recommended
Art. 7.	500.00	500.00
Art. 9.		290.00
Art. 10.	2,000.00	2,000.00
Art. 14.		Annual expense \$222.50
Art. 15.		Not recommended
Art. 19.		1,000.00
		400.00
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		\$78,983.00
		\$78,135.00

*Additional if town farm is not sold, to be added to

Poor Department	\$3,000.00
Recommended that \$5,664.96 be transferred from surplus revenue to revenue account for 1928, this amount to be used by assessors to reduce 1928 levy.	
Recommended that \$450.00 be transferred from overlayings reserve to revenue account for 1928, this amount to be used to reduce 1928 levy.	

ADDITIONAL RECOMMENDATIONS

- Art. 8. That treasurer be authorized.
- Art. 11. That town sell so-called poor farm to state.
- Art. 12. That town sell all stock and equipments in case of sale of town farm.
- Art. 13. That town establish permanent fund. Income from fund to be annually added to poor department appropriation.
- Art. 16. That town do not rescind vote taken at Feb. 1927 meeting.
- Art. 17. That town take no action.
- Art. 18. That town change name.
- Art. 20. That selectmen be authorized.

HAROLD B. KETCHEN
 M. C. BAGGS
 L. G. WARREN
 CARL F. ASPENGREN

